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TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN WAR.

HAS ADRIANOPLE FALLEN?

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 8.
A correspondent of the "Daily Mail," who has just arrived at Bukharest from Sofia, telegraphs that it is believed that Adrianople surrendered on Tuesday. The Bulgarians are concealing the fact, fearing the intervention of the Powers, before Constantinople can be taken.

THE BULGARIAN ADVANCE.

The "Times" Sofia correspondent, in a message dispatched at 11.20 on Thursday evening, reported that the Bulgarians had occupied the Chatalja lines.

TURKEY TO CONTINUE FIGHT.

A message from Constantinople states that Nazim Pasha has informed the Government that the Army are determined to fight to the last. They had adopted the motto "Death or Victory."

The Cabinet thereupon met. The principal officers remaining in the capital attended the meeting and handed the Grand Vizier a signed declaration in favour of the continuance of the war. Subsequently Talat Bey and Prince Said Dalm waited on the Grand Vizier, promising the support of the Unionists if the war is vigorously prosecuted.

The Government is consequently in a difficult position.

IN THE CAPITAL.

Five Ambassadors met the Grand Vizier and the Foreign Minister with reference to the measures for public safety, and also as to mediation. The Government has decided to send refugees to Asia Minor.

TURKISH SUCCESSES.

Later.

The Turkish reports of the successes of the Western Army are somewhat confirmed by the Serbian admission that the losses in the two days' battle preceding the surrender of Philip were heavier than the Turks'; while it is reported from Athens that, though no official report has been published regarding the division which was compelled to entrench at Danitz on Tuesday, no uneasiness is felt as to its fate, because it is believed that the Crown Prince has detached strong reinforcements to its aid.

PRETENDER IGNORED.

The Albanian Pretender, Prince Gesika, has arrived at Athens. His requests for employment at headquarters and an interview with M. Venizelos, the Prime Minister, have been ignored.

ROUMANIA'S CLAIMS.

Reuter's correspondent at Bukharest states that a conference held yesterday between the Roumanian Premier and the Russian and Austrian Ministers discussed Roumania's eventual claims to territorial compensation for her neutrality in the war.

DISEASE IN THE CAPITAL.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople wires that a disease resembling cholera has broken out among the wounded arriving in the capital.

A TIME FOR PATIENCE.

Reuter learns that the Powers are all agreed that the least said is the better regarding Austro-Serbian differences while angry and excited feelings prevail. They trust that time and reflection will enable a concave of the Powers to deal with the difficult questions.

A suggestion has been thrown out that Salonika be internationalised so as to give Serbia access to the sea.

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THE BALKAN WAR.

TURKEY'S LATEST PLEA.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 8.
Reuter's correspondent at Bukharest states that Turkey has requested Roumania to intervene with the Balkan States.

GREEKS OCCUPY SALONIKA.

Later.

The Greeks have occupied Salonika. Lieutenant Wegener, correspondent of the Vienna "Reichspost" telegraphs that the Bulgarian attack on Chatalja is progressing most successfully, and that the Turks at the principal points have already been driven back.

TYPHUS.

Typhus has broken out in Adrianople.

MONTENEGRIN SET-BACK.

A message from Cetinje states that the Montenegrin troops to the south of Scutari have been compelled to retire owing to floods and lack of provisions. They repulsed an attack by the Turks from Scutari, retiring in good order.

THE DUMA.

MAJORITY FOR REACTIONARIES.

London, November 8.

The elections to the Russian Duma have resulted in a large majority for the Reactionaries.

THE FRENCH NAVY.

London, November 8.

The Super-Dreadnought La France has been launched at Saint Nazaire.

THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

A REFORMER'S FEARS.

(From Chinese Sources.)

Peking, November 8.
Liang Kai-chiu, the follower of Hsueh Yau-wai, has secretly left Peking and has taken shelter in the foreign concession at Tientsin, fearing that his life might be in danger.

ANOTHER RESIGNATION.

Fung Kwok-cheung, Governor-General of Chihli, has decided to tender his resignation as he has been attacked by the people and the Provincial Council.

UNIVERSITIES.

The Ministry of Education proposes to establish universities in all the Provinces.

SAFETY FOR EX-OFFICIALS.

President Yuan has instructed the officials of the various provinces that they will be held responsible for the safety of those officials who held positions under the Manchu Government who are now hiding in their provinces.

LAW EXAMINATION.

The Ministry of Justice proposes to hold a law examination and award diplomas to the successful candidates.

RAILWAY COLLEGES.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen has telegraphed to President Yuan suggesting the establishment of railway colleges in Canton, Hankow, Shanghai and Pukow.

IMPORT TAXES.

The Ministry of Finance proposes to impose a tax on foreign tobacco and spirits imported into China.

TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIA AND MONGOLIA.

PROVISIONS OF CONVENTION

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 8.

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg wires that the Russo-Mongolian Convention provides that Russia shall assist Mongolia to maintain autonomy and to support the Mongolian right to have a national Army, and not to admit the presence of Chinese troops, nor to permit Chinese colonisation.

The Mongolian Government assures Russian subjects and traders full enjoyment of the rights and privileges enumerated in the Protocol, and no other foreigners in Mongolia are to have fuller rights than the Russians. Any future Mongolian Treaty with China or any other nation must not infringe the Provisions of the Russo-Mongolian Convention or modify them without Russia's consent.

A Communique explains that the Convention constitutes Russia's recognition of the autonomy of Mongolia, with which country henceforth she maintains direct relations. It does not, however, prejudice the question of Mongolia's relations with China; and when China accepts the principles of the Convention Russia will have no ground on which to hinder China from arranging terms with Mongolia for a recognition of Chinese sovereignty.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, 10th November, 23rd Sunday after Trinity, Holy Communion (8.15 a.m.) Matins (1.00 a.m.) (Full Choir.) Responses, Feriat; Venite, Farrant; Psalms, Monk, Felton, Elvey; Te Deum, Stanford in B; Jubilate, Ayrton in E; Anthem, "I waited for the Lord."—Mendelssohn; Hymns, 232, 160. Evensong 5.45 p.m. (Full Choir.) Response, Feriat; Psalms, of the 10th evening; Magnificat, and Nunc Dimittis, Martin in B; Anthem, "Hallelujah."—Handel; Hymns, 197, 17. Sevenfold Amen. Volunteer Overture "Hymn of praise."—Mendelssohn.

Union Church, Kennedy Road. Special Morning Preacher, Rev. W. M. Maphail (London); 11 a.m. Worship. Hymns 380, 433, and 620; Psalm 1, Anthem, 4 p.m. Children's Service, 6 p.m. Worship. Hymns 377, 159, 187, and 364.

St. Peter's Church, West Point Sunday, November, 10th, 1912. Holy Communion 7.35 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon 11 a.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon 8.15 p.m. Parade Service Royal Orange Lodge 802, Gospel Meeting Seamen's Institute 8 p.m.

Garrison Divine Service: Church of England Victoria Cathedral 9.15 a.m. Chaplain; Church of England Detention Barrack 8.30 a.m. Chaplain; Church of England Stonecutters Barracks Under Orders, Senior Officer; Church of England Military Hospital Bowen Road 6 p.m. Chaplain; Church of England Lyemun Barracks 11.15 a.m. Chaplain; Church of England—St. Andrew's Church 10 a.m. Offg. Clergyman; Church of England Mount Austin Barracks Under Orders Senior Officer; Baptist Victoria Union Church 11 a.m. Offg. Clergyman; Congregationalist Victoria Union Church 11 a.m. Offg. Clergyman; Presbyterian Victoria Union Church 11 a.m. Offg. Clergyman; Wesleyan Victoria Wesleyan Church 10.15 a.m. Offg. Clergyman; Wesleyan Mount Austin 9 a.m. Offg. Clergyman; Roman Catholic Victoria St. Joseph's Church 10 a.m. Offg. Clergyman; Roman Catholic Kowloon Rosary Church 9 a.m. Offg. Clergyman.

TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN ELECTION.

LATEST VOTING RETURNS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 8.

The latest returns for the American Presidential election are as follows:—
Wilson 442
Roosevelt 77
Taft 12

The popular vote figures are:—
Wilson 6,192,000
Roosevelt 4,194,000
Taft 3,537,000
Debs (Socialist) 750,000

Mr. Debs' vote shows an increase of 100 per cent.

It is probable that the House of Representatives will be constituted as follows:—
Democrats 237
Republicans 122
Progressives 18

VICTORY DUE TO SPLIT.

Later.

It is noteworthy that Mr. Woodrow Wilson's vote does not equal Mr. Bryan's of 1896. Thus the victory is solely due to the Republican split.

THE OBJECT OF SYNDICALISM.

"The chief defect of the Syndicalism idea," claims Felix Grenon in the October number of the International, is that it does not purpose to change the quality of our present civilization. It is true that Capitalism organizes industry hierarchically, while Syndicalism aims to organize it democratically. It is also true the Capitalism maintains the workers in a condition of wage-slavery, while Syndicalism promises to maintain them in a condition of profit-sharing equality. But aims and promises are one thing, performance quite another.

A person is not a slave because he is a wage earner, any more than a rentier is a freeman because he is a profit sharer. Many a bank president is, in reality, more of a subaltern in the financial field than a good carpenter or a competent mason is in the industrial field. The bank president is undoubtedly better off from the standpoint of material comfort, but he is no more independent of the capitalist system than the carpenter or the mason. Indeed, unless he can take the measure of a Rockefeller or a Morgan he may actually have less to say about the conditions or methods of his work than any first-class skilled artisan, nay, than any but a topnotch professional man. What makes a man free is, on the productive side, an equal voice with his fellows in controlling the conditions and discipline of his workshop; and a real choice as to the kind of work he will continue to do. On the consuming side, the free citizen must have the power of obliging the community to gratify not only material but immaterial cravings, that is, he must have the same rightful access to the instruments for supplying his moral and artistic needs that he has to the instruments for supplying his economic needs.

Now the only instrument that will adequately furnish the citizen with non-material requirements is the Democratic State. But Syndicalists would, in theory at least, ignore democratic machinery as deeply as Capitalists do in practice; ignore it secretly. Thus the goal of the Syndicalist would be the able-bodied worker simply, not the worker who is able-bodied because he is able-minded.

TELEGRAMS.

LIVERPOOL CUP.

A WIN FOR LORENZO.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 8.
The race for the Liverpool Autumn Cup, run to-day over a distance of one mile three furlongs, resulted as follows:—
Lorenzo (Whalley) 1.
Aprille (Ledson) 2.
Wolfe Land (Trigg) 3.

There were 15 starters, and Lorenzo won by a length and a half.

The betting at the start was:—
100 to 9 Lorenzo; 100 to 7 Aprille; 8 to 1 Wolfe Land. Moharz was the favourite at 4 to 1 against.

The other starters were:—
Bachelor's Hope (Higgs); Eton Boy (Maher); Louward (Wootton); Grammont (Donoghue); Moscato (Foy); Moharz (W. Huxley); Absolute (Pullin); Willaura (Robbins); Florian (Huxley); Saint Edgar (Plant); Cylba (Herbert); Bryony (R. Cooper).

LOWER ENGLISH BIRTH RATE.

The striking decreases in both the marriage rate and the birth rate shown in the Registrar-General's figures for the first quarter of this year are highly significant sociological phenomena. Both decreases are unquestionably to be traced largely to the fact that the women of the middle classes no longer regard marriage as their one possible vocation and that their better education and their successful entrance into the labor market have rendered them no longer economically dependent on men.

It is the merest folly to denounce sentimentally the love of pleasure and luxury common in our day. The cost of living has increased by at least 20 per cent in a generation. The chances of unemployment and loss of income are much greater than they were. Consequently and naturally young men are growing more fearful of undertaking the responsibilities of wives and children. Among the working class the attainment of a higher standard of comfort and the wider appreciation of the good things of life bear with them a terror of the possible equalizer of marriage on a tiny wage.

These are contributory causes, but the economic independence of women is the most important and the most far reaching. How far reaching it will be and how fundamentally it will ultimately affect marriage and other social relations no one can say.—London Express.

INDIA'S BUTTER TREES.

"But by far the most remarkable of edible flowers is that culled from the butter-tree of India. The blossoms of this singular tree are the chief means of subsistence with the Bhils and other Indian hill tribes. An average tree yields from two hundred to three hundred and fifty pounds of pulpy, bell-shaped flowers, that, when they drop off during March and April, the hot months of the Indian year, are eagerly gathered by the natives. They have, when fresh a peculiar and luscious taste, but the fragrance of them is not pleasant, and is best and most briefly described as 'mousy.' Usually they are cured in the sun, shrivel to one-fourth of their size, and then resemble nothing so much as raisins. The natives prepare them for food by boiling, or using them in sweetmeats."—Suburban Life Magazine.

TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIAN BLUEJACKETS.

17 DEATH SENTENCES.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, November 8.
A message from Reuter's correspondent at Sovatopol says that 17 bluejackets have been sentenced to death and 106 to hard labour for periods ranging from four to eight years for instigating disturbances in the Fleet.

JACK JOHNSON.

SERIOUS INDICTMENTS.

London, November 8.

The Federal grand jury at Chicago has indicted Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist, on four counts for inter-state transportation of women for immoral purposes. Bail was fixed at \$30,000.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

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Turkey has requested Roumania to intervene on her behalf with the Balkan States.

The elections to the Duma have resulted in a large majority for the Reactionaries.

Sir Francis Piggott, following an attack of appendicitis, is lying dangerously ill in Peking.

An agitation is springing up in Constantinople in favour of a vigorous continuance of the war.

A suggestion has been made that Salonika be internationalised so as to give Serbia access to the sea.

In the American Presidential election, the Socialist candidate increased his vote by one hundred per cent.

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The Russian Minister at Peking has presented to China the Russo-Mongolian Convention, which does not allow the Chinese to interfere with the administration of Mongolia, to colonise or to send troops thither, though it does not bar China from maintaining her suzerainty.

LOCAL.

A man was fined \$5 at the Police Court, to-day for cruelty to pigeons.

A man was dismissed at the Police Court, to-day on a charge of resisting the police.

A verdict of accidental death was returned by Mr. Melbourne yesterday as the result of an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of a Chinese who fell from the first floor of a house in 73rd Street.

Several collisions have been reported to the police. In one case the cargo said to be worth \$1200 but covered by insurance was said to be lost, whilst in another the junk had to be abandoned; it was worth about \$700.

A dead body has been found in the Harbour and it is stated that death was due to drowning caused by a man falling into the water in consequence of a collision with small boat and the Yuen Sang on the 5th inst.

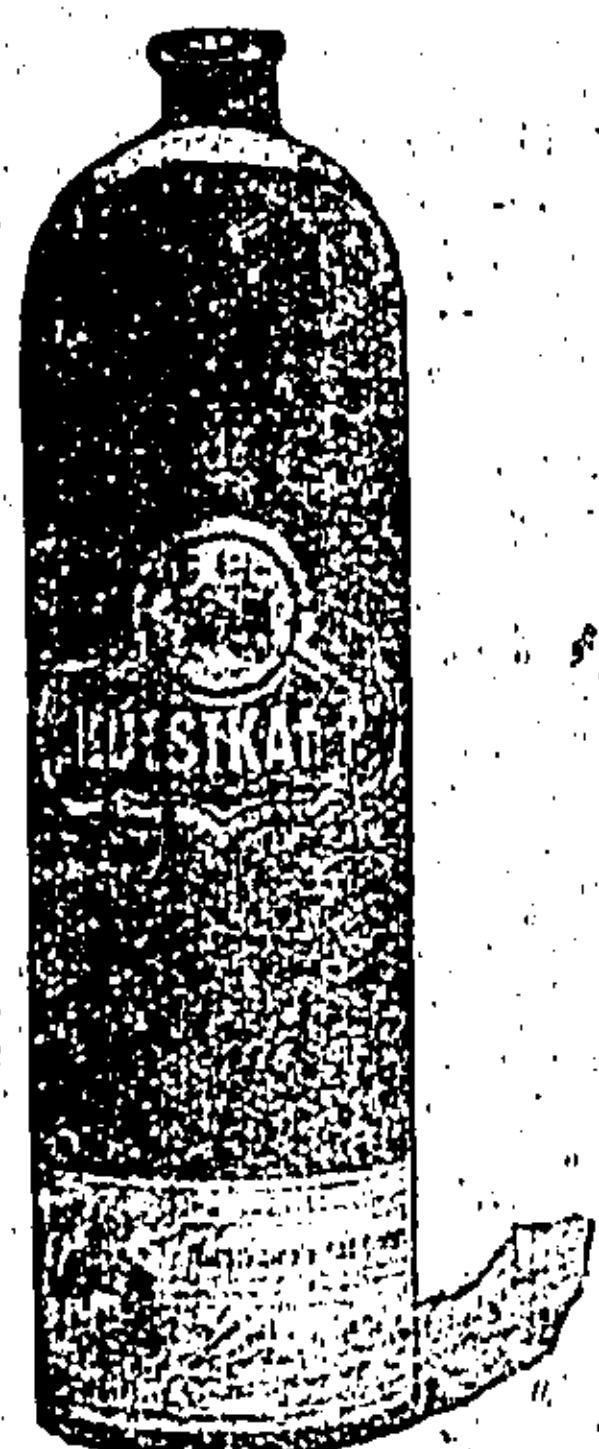
Numerous complaints have been made to the police of late to the effect that men representing themselves to be policemen have been pestering hawkers with the intention of getting squeeze. At the Court, this morning, one man who was captured at the game was fined \$100 or in default six weeks.

Two men described as marine store dealers were remanded at the Police Court, this morning, in connection with a charge of receiving safety valves and appliances knowing them to have been stolen. The fittings were said to have been stolen from the a.s. Kennelco whilst in Kowloon Docks a week ago.

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Daily Press.

Russia and Mongolia.
Judging from the telegraphic
intelligence which has emanated
from St. Petersburg during the
past few days, there would seem
to be no prospect of Russia re-
treating from the position she has
taken up, but it is no less evident
that China will not quietly yield.
We note that the Ministry of
Communications has just been
instructed by the Cabinet to ob-
tain tenders for the establishment
of wireless telegraphic stations
in Urga, Uliastui and Kobo in
Mongolia, as well as in Chinaiio,
Batang, and Lhasa in Tibet. The
announced object of this is "to
enable prompt and reliable in-
formation to be obtained regard-
ing the progress of current affairs
in Mongolia and Tibet." The
real meaning of it is obvious.
Russia's recognition of Mongolian
independence, as the first step
towards annexation, will be a
sore which will rankle in the
breast of the Chinese patriot, and
we may be sure that the military
energies of New China will be
bent upon avenging this blow
to her patriotic pride.

South China Morning Post.

The Japanese Myth.

The Japanese myth has won-
drous vitality. The conviction
that Japan is, if not a land of the
gods at least a land of demi-gods,
was quite seriously voiced by a
certain English writer during the
Russo-Japanese war, and while
no doubt this conviction did not
win universal acceptance, thanks
to a feeble flicker of sanity still
surviving in obscure corners of
the earth, there is still in vogue
among emotional writers the
practice of holding up Dai Nippon
as a bright exemplar of all the
ethical virtues. Thus, when the
renowned poet of the Sierras,
Joachim Miller, wished to illus-
trate the advances of national
temperance, he penned an ode to
the Japanese of whom he said,
in an outburst of admiration and
doggerel, "The one man this
from pole to pole who never
knew the flowing bowl!"—a state-
ment which is not only, as
already intimated, bad as poetry,
which might forgive, but false
as fact, which is unpardonable.
In that one wretched couplet
the venerable Joachim gave him-
self away; he showed clearly that
he had never been in Japan,
especially at New Year's time,
when the bowl is called upon to
do quite a little flowing in a
quiet unobtrusive fashion.

China Mail.

The Improvement in the Thames
Embankment.

Sir John A. Macdonald, a mem-
ber of the Metropolitan Road
Board, and a great authority on
roads has, we learn from
"Engineering," been praising
the authorities for the improve-
ment of the Thames Embankment,
which he said, was once the worst
road in the country. It was no
bad that traffic preferred to crawl
round by the Strand and Fleet-
street rather than make use of it,
so that it presented a most desol-
ate and deserted appearance.
Now, however, in one busy hour
10,000 vehicles have been counted
as passing the Charing Cross
Bridge. There is another in-
teresting point. Near this bridge,
traffic coming down Northumber-
land avenue (and there is much
of it had to cross a causeway—
laid originally for a cab-stand—
go get on to the Embankment.
Sir John had watched this for a
year, and could detect no differ-
ence in the levels of the road
pavement, the causeway, and the
Embankment surface. This is in
marked contrast to what is com-
monly observed where there is a
paved crossing over an ordinary
macadam road. The foundation
of the road is made with pitch
and stone, and it is covered with
a "carpet" of other material.
This is done to give a sumptu-
ous road and to protect the
foundation from the full violence
of the blows of the traffic carried.

Japanese Emperor at Launching.
Tokyo, October 25.—The bat-
tle-cruiser Hiyei, 28,000 tons,
now being built at the Yokosuka
Naval Yard, is to be launched on
November 23. We learn that his
Majesty the Emperor has decided
to visit Yokosuka that day to
preside at the launch.

GENERAL NEWS.

Sir Ian Hamilton and General Nogi.

Writing of General Nogi in "A Staff Officer's Scrap-Book," published at the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese War, General Sir Ian Hamilton, who was attached to the Japanese Army, said:—"The more I see the Commander of the Third Army the more he impresses me. He is, I feel sure, a man of great nobility of character, endowed with a philosophic heroism which penetrates through the mild dignity of his manners and appearance. He seems utterly simple and unspoiled by success. Although the date of his birth places him amongst the warriors of the old school, yet he has never spared time or labour in his efforts to keep himself abreast of the times. He has read a very large proportion of modern standard military works. If I were a Japanese I would venerate Nogi. Happy is the Army which possesses such a General and fortunate the nation."

International Time Signals.
Paris, October 15.—The international conference on time reckoning was opened this morning at the Observatory by M. Guist'hau, Minister of Education. The Minister proposed as president of the conference M. Bigourdan, Member of the Institute and of the Bureau des Longitudes. The conference has been summoned mainly with the object of dealing with various practical uses to which wireless telegraphy may be put, especially in the synchronization of time signals throughout the world. France has taken the lead in this matter, and the Eiffel Tower distributes wireless signals over a vast area. It is for the perfection of this system and with a view to some international agreement for the regulation of signals that the Bureau des Longitudes has summoned the present conference to meet in Paris.

Austro-Japanese Commercial Treaty.
According to the official report despatched by Mr. Akitsuki, Japanese Ambassador to Austria, the new treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Japan and Austria was concluded on October 28. There is nothing in the treaty relating to the tariff, but on the whole, it closely resembles the Anglo-Japanese treaty and the German-Japanese treaty, says the "Kobu Herald." There is no reference in the new treaty to the perpetual lease question, nor is anything said with regard to Austria's recognition of Japan's coastwise navigation laws. As the treaty between Austria and other countries must be approved by the Austrian Reichsrath, the exchange of ratifications is likely to be delayed to some extent. It is reported that the negotiations for treaty revision with Italy have been practically completed and the treaty is expected to be signed in the near future.

British Subject decorated by Chinese Government.
We are very pleased to know, says the "Shanghai Mercury," that our fellow resident, Mr. E. S. Little, has been decorated by the Chinese Government. Mr. Little has received the following telegram from Mr. Tang Shao Yi, Tientsin:—"I am in receipt of a telegram from the Cabinet saying that, by order of the President, as Mr. E. S. Little, a British subject, has rendered great assistance between the parties towards a settlement during the Peace Conference held in Shanghai last year, he is hereby given the Chihau Decoration of the Third Order. Please inform him of the same. I beg to send you my congratulations."

China and East Indian Squadrons.
Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, in reply to Sir J. D. Rees stated in the House of Commons on October 11, that both the China and East Indian Squadrons were already provided with flagships, and no change was at present contemplated. The New Zealand would join the First Battle Cruiser Squadron on her return from New Zealand ports in the summer of 1915. The programme of 1909 as regards the East Indian unit had not been completely abandoned, and the Australian Fleet, alone was not in future to maintain the British position in the Pacific.

SHORT SERMON.

When thou art in tribulation and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the Lord thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice; (for the Lord thy God is a merciful God); he will not forsake thee.—Deut. iv, 30-31.

Experts state that these words were written 1451 years before the birth of Christ. Had they been written prior to that time, or yesterday, their truth would be the same. Yet only those who have turned to the Lord when in tribulation can fully understand the depth and width of their meaning.

At all times a great many persons are in tribulation, and to some of these it seems as if "all things," indeed, had come upon them. There are so many burdens, griefs and troubles which are born of the average round of daily living, born of human weakness and mistakes and not of an "avenging God," as used to be thought by some who were misguided.

Through wrong living, wrong thinking and selfishness, we lead ourselves into rough roads, where the brambles of pain and walls of doubt interpose themselves between us and the fields beyond, which we seek. Of course, we do not realize that we are heading (thus, or we would change the course). Sometimes the shadows may be stayed off for a while, but sooner or later they fall across the way.

Then how dark the world may look! How hope may seem to fade away and strength depart! How courage and enthusiasm ebb until we feel as if there might be an end to these great necessities!

Those who are thus afflicted naturally seek some way out. From force of habit they usually go first to the physician, who has made a study of the human body. Not often do they find much relief there, for the physician's knowledge is bounded by that same humanity which has led to the trouble. It may help some, but as a rule his help is transient or so wholly physical as to be useless to the sick soul.

For tribulation brings on sickness of the soul. And when this comes there is but one source of relief.

That one is the same to-day as it was 3363 years ago, when the book of Deuteronomy was written. "If thou turn to the Lord thy God!"

It is not a hard thing to do. In the silence of a little room or in the noisy crowd on the street, one can turn to Him. For we turn to Him in our thoughts. And when we have turned thus to Him as one who is not only able, but willing to help us we are sure to gain relief right away.

We must not think we shall be freed from all our burdens. We must not expect to be loosed of the fetters in a twinkling. It was a long way in and it will be a long way out. But when we turn to Him we have gained a guide who will show us the way out.

There is much we must do for ourselves. We must cultivate patience and courage and faith, and we must seek to do for others what we have neglected to do in the past.

We must learn to bear with ourselves uncomplainingly and to trust in the infinite wisdom and mercy of our Father in heaven. We must bring ourselves back to the place where we are His children, for only in the faith and trust of little children can we find that peace which we are seeking. It is His fatherly hand that will comfort us.

THE BOOK WOULD.

A NEW QUILLER-COUCH ANTHOLOGY.

When Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch edited "The Oxford Book of English Verse" twelve years ago, he found the thousand-and-odd pages of his volume too limited for the accommodation of a great many poems of equal merit to many of those included, most of them the work of his own contemporaries. A supplementary volume was clearly indicated, and the great body of poetry lovers, who rightly regard his anthology as the best of its kind extant, will learn with pleasure of his intention, at an early date, to publish "The Oxford Book of Victorian Verse." He is now

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editing this work for the Clarendon Press, says the "Glasgow Evening News," and it will probably approximate in size to, and at all events will certainly harmonise in form with, the earlier volume. The second series of Palgrave's "Golden Treasury"—so sad a declension from the first—might render some of us dubious of a supplement to Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch's anthology, but I have personally no apprehensions on that score. The critical insight of the first volume of "The Golden Treasury" must be largely credited to Tennyson, who helped Palgrave with it; left to his own judgment Palgrave gave a poor account of himself in his second volume, published thirty-six years later. Quiller-Couch was, and will be, his own master, and the same shrewd judgment manifested in the "Oxford Book of English Verse" may be confidently looked for in the forthcoming volume. I have called the "Oxford" anthology the best of the kind extant, with all due respect to Palgrave, who remains indispensable and must always command our affection. The work of the later anthologist is in many respects a more satisfactory one, for "The Golden Treasury" has flaws of a serious nature, which ought long since to have been removed in later editions.

Palgrave's Errors.
Mr. Thomas Byne has recently been directing attention to the unpardonable liberty Palgrave took in freely introducing titles of a fanciful nature to lyrics which originally had none, and in altering titles of which he did not approve. In this typography of his quotations he also made many unfortunate departures from the form chosen by the poets themselves. Beyond that he did not hesitate to cut and carve at accepted and authoritative texts with consequences bewildering and irritating to the fastidious student. He might at least have indicated by asterisks where he left stanzas out. Robert Burns, admirably represented in the "Oxford" anthology, fares badly with Palgrave, whose editorial acumen becomes immediately suspect to every Scotsman when he reads "Of a' the airts" burdened with the bathetic additions, inviting the "westlin' winds" to "Bring the lassie back to me."

That's aye sae neat and clean"—which were not the work of Burns at all, but of John Hamilton, a meddling Edinburgh music-seller. Till this day "Lady Nairn" is given in all Macmillan's editions of "The Golden Treasury" as the author of "The Land of the Leal"; a publishing firm of Scottish origin ought to be more particular about the spelling of the lady's name, even if Palgrave was not.

The story of Boyd Alexander's last journey is to be told in his own words, for he kept a careful diary to within a little more than a week of his murder in Wadai. This diary has now been edited by his brother, Mr. Herbert Alexander, who also contributes to the volume a memoir giving the true account of Boyd Alexander's death. The diary is full of interesting details about its writer's expeditions in the cocoa islands of San Thome, Principe, and Annabon, and approaches the realms of adventure when the narrator, at a height of 8,000 feet above sea level, passes through a great earthquake. There will be many illustrations to the volume, which is to be published by Mr. Edward Arnold.

Books about the late King Edward seem to be multiplying very rapidly, and it may be doubted whether any English monarch has been the subject of so much intimate contemporary gossip. A new book is to be added to the collection during the next few days, in the shape of Mr. Edward Legge's "King Edward in His True Colours," which appears under the name of Mr. Eveleigh Nash. Mr. Legge claims to refute a number of opinions expressed in a certain much-discussed biography of the late King, and at the same time narrate the notable events of his life with the utmost candour. Especial stress is laid upon the personal relation between King Edward and his Imperial nephew, the German Emperor, and a large section of the book deals with the personality of Queen Alexandra. Mr. Legge hopes to present his august subject "at his best," and at the same time to portray him as a man, and not as a Royal lay-figure.

Peking Tram Contract.
According to the "Peking Daily Telegraph" the concession for building the Peking trams was awarded to Mr. Chen Hsing-fang, a wealthy Chinese in the Straits Settlements.

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SOLVING WIRELESS PROBLEMS.

Much has been written from time to time of the difficulties which stand in the way of a universal adoption of wireless telegraphy, but anyone who notes the advances which are being made in the direction of perfecting the system cannot but see that, one by one, these difficulties are being removed. It will be recalled that at the time of the sinking of the Titanic there was a great outcry raised because of the interception of the vessel's distress signals by independent shore stations along the American coast—an evil from which, luckily, the United Kingdom has been spared by a Government monopoly which prevents the establishment of a wireless installation without a license from the Postmaster-General, unobtainable, of course, unless it is perfectly clear that the proposed station will not make itself a nuisance to existing services. However, even this problem of interception of messages is apparently now to be solved, for we read of the Johnson-Varely system of wireless telegraphy, which, it is claimed, is untappable. Messages, it is said, can, by this system, be sent direct to the station intended, and no other station can receive them.

In the past, as an expert recently pointed out in one of the leading engineering journals, the trouble has been two-fold. In the first place, secrecy of wireless messages has been practically impossible. Anyone who has a receiver which he can tune to accept the waves that are passing through the ether in his neighbourhood, can take in any wireless message that is going; and it is well to note that nearly every receiver that is on the market can be tuned, for almost every wave length that is being employed in wireless service. On the other hand, while it is possible to tune receivers which are made for it, to receive waves of a particular length, in preference to all other waves, and therefore to shut out the waves from independent wireless stations, every receiving station is more or less troubled by interfering waves, sometimes coming from stations which are working with the same wave length, and sometimes also from stations using wave lengths a little different. In both cases the result is confusing—we are told that it is like that caused by two people talking to one at the same time, it is difficult for the ear to take in all that is being said by each.

If the new system of wireless proves what it is claimed to be, then we are indeed on the eve of tremendous changes in the matter of communicating through space. Already a private demonstration of the new system has been given in London by the patentees, and we learn that it is applicable not only to wireless but to cables and telephones as well, giving, in the former, greatly increased speed of transmission and, in the latter, a considerably extended range. On the face of it, if the new development solves the "tapping" evil, it will be invaluable for naval and military purposes, especially so since lofty masts for receiving and transmitting signals are not necessary in the new system. Future news regarding the Johnson-Varely installations will indeed be well worth noting.

DAY BY DAY.

The tragedy of life is in decision.

Departed for Bombay.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Shellin left for Bombay to-day by the P. and O. steamer India.

Dismissed.

A man was dismissed at the Police Court, this morning on a charge of resisting the police at West Point.

Fire Brigade Inspection.

The annual inspection of the Fire Brigade, by H. E. the Governor, will take place at 4 p.m. on Thursday, November 21, in front of the City Hall.

The Liscum's Crew.

The crew of the American transport vessel Liscum, numbering 23, left by the Rubi for Manila. It will be recalled that the Liscum recently sank in Shanghai waters.

Slight Damage.

Yesterday about eleven o'clock, according to the police reports, a collision took place between a cargo boat and a fishing boat, the former being damaged to the extent of about \$30.

Hilltop Pigeons.

A man was charged at the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. E. A. Irving, with hilltop pigeons and was fined \$5. Mr. Russ, of Messrs. Goldring Barlow and Morrell, defended.

Harbour Collision.

The master of a cargo boat has reported to the police that whilst sailing from Yau-mat, and when off Tsai Tsa Tsai, a Star Ferry launch collided with his boat doing damage to the extent of \$100.

Post Office Inspection.

The inspection on the wall of the Hongkong Post Office, "As cold water to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country," has been recently embellished by a heavy hard-wood frame-work of ornamental design.

Monkey at Large.

We are informed that a monkey, which seems fairly tame, and has presumably strayed from its home, is at large on Mount Gough, Peak, and is paying unwelcome visits to residents, entering open windows and making itself a nuisance.

Opium Smokers.

At the Police Court, this morning, a man was charged with keeping an opium den, at 15 Jubilee Street, but the charge was eventually withdrawn. Mr. Gardiner defending. Five smokers were fined \$2 each. Another man charged with keeping was fined \$50.

The Bijou.

The Bijou promises a great draw to-night "Won Through Waiting"—a drama that comes from Europe with a fine reputation. Max Linder supplies the comic relief, and how funny he is needs no telling. The Misses Connor and Porter appear in new songs.

Detail.

Major R. S. Paul, 126th Baluchistan Infantry, will be the visitor to the detention barracks next week. The duties of field officer will be performed by Captain B. C. Penton. 25th Punjab, with Captain H. K. Hughes, 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I. next for duty.

Junk Abandoned.

The owner of a junk has reported to the police that at ten o'clock on the 1st inst. whilst sailing from Tan Cheung Mun, another junk collided with his boat causing it to become water-logged. The junk was abandoned and it is supposed that the cargo to the value of about \$1,200 has been lost. The loss, however, is said to be covered by insurance.

Charge of Receiving.

Before Mr. E. A. Irving, at the Police Court, this morning, two men, described as marine store dealers were charged on remand with receiving two safety valves and two spinolles knowing them to have been stolen. The articles were part of a quantity of fittings stolen from the s.s. Kennebec in Kowloon Docks about a week ago. The case was remanded.

Became Water-Logged.

It has been reported to the police by a seaman employed on a licensed trading junk that whilst his junk was sailing from Tsai Tsa Tsai, he was collided with by a launch belonging to the Kowloon Dock, and as a result his boat became water-logged. The junk had to be abandoned by the crew and it is stated to be worth about \$700.

WITH THE FORCES.

Scenes on the Kowloon Hills this Morning.

From the point of view of the party on the defence the weather this morning for the manoeuvres of the Military forces, was ideal. The atmosphere was bright, the wind breezy, and a powerful sun shone somewhat distressingly for the attacking party. From shortly after day break the feisty, noisy and incongruous village of Yau-mat assumed a martial tinge, the guns of various powers of destruction were being handled along the ill paved, narrow streets by panting military-caparisoned mules attended by clean looking members of the Indian Regiments. Outside Yau-mat Station, and slightly to the left of it, six big guns and ammunition carriages came to a halt, and, after the attendants had arranged their rifles tripod fashion, they commenced to fix their guns in position according to their drafted instructions. A mule commenced to make good use of the grass in the immediate vicinity and a driver emulated the animal and appeared to find the solitary blade succulent.

By the station a motor bicycle arranged to hold two scouts was waiting for its riders to receive their commands. The idea of having two men to the bicycle is too obvious to be explained.

The Defending Forces.

Yau-mat station was well guarded and for a moment was the temporary headquarters of the defending forces under Colonel Rawlinson. To get to the scene of activities by means of the railway line from this point would have been disastrous, as one would not have travelled very far before one would have been called upon to halt and to beat a somewhat ignominious retreat. The Major who appeared to be in charge was very reticent and all enquiries were met with the advice that the Staff Officer alone could give any information. To find the staff Officer was a task not to be envied and to make him talk when found in the midst of operations needed more than the ordinary amount of courage.

There was but one way left to get a glimpse of what was about to take place, and that was to find some means of entry into the lines and remain concealed until one gathered what were the intentions of the defence for maintaining their claim to making the passes invulnerable. Along the road to Old Kowloon City there are many paths which lead back on to the railway and take winding, riverlike courses round allotments green with the products of the market gardener. One leads over to the first arch from Yau-mat Station between hills ornamented with slabs erected to the memory of "dead Chinese." From the railway line it was possible for the officer's scanning the country around to see any attempted invasion of that territory through the said passes.

Locating the Spot.

On the railway lines a couple of officers were eagerly searching an Ordnance map for their positions, whilst a party of Baluchis lay low in the natural trenches near a cottage known by the name of Lukamoy. Along the pass leading to this spot an officer came on the back of a pony accompanied by an Indian servant who was on foot. To reach the railway it was necessary to cross a stream and a very ugly ditch. Whether the pony did not fancy the task of crossing it or not cannot be definitely stated but certainly after some "Action" language had been used a return was made along the narrow pass.

From a point of vantage the conversation of a party of officers could be heard.

"I am on number—," said one perspiring individual, looking at the summit of one of the group of neighbouring hills. "I think that must be it," he added making a rather unfavourable remark as to the clearness of the map.

His fellow officers who were squatting on the railway side endeavoured to assist him to locate his post. Of this incident no more can be reported as it was found necessary to make a move.

Another party of officers came marching along the line as though

making for the hill which the others were doing their best to locate.

To get out of the defending party's territory it was necessary to traverse the line at this point unless one was anxious to cover a few miles of rough hills which seemed to lead nowhere except to more hills. Passing through the tunnel a party of Scouts was encountered on its way to a certain position. The train due at Kowloon about nine o'clock whistled through the tunnel and the party kept clear.

By this time the Commander of the defending forces had left Yau-mat Station and had gone on to one of the neighbouring hills where a good survey of the country could be obtained. A major standing on the platform was eagerly awaiting orders and a few native officers were impatiently walking up and down.

Officers Arrive.

About half past nine General Sir Ian Hamilton, Col. St. John, and a party of officers drove along to the station and quickly uttered and obeyed orders were the rule for some time.

To the ordinary layman who is not versed in any particulars, the meaning of the manoeuvres would seem to be that a force of men named for the purposes of identification "Whites" were endeavouring to reach Kowloon from the interior and that a force of "Reds" were hard at work preventing this at Yau-mat. Of course this might be erroneous but from the disposition of the forces and the scanty information available that seemed to be the general scheme. One wonders why members of the press are not afforded the same facilities as at the larger manoeuvres in England instead of having to wander aimlessly over the countryside picking up scraps of news as they go along. There were, we were informed by one soldier, four thousand in the field altogether equally divided into two opposing armies and the scene of the mimic warfare was in the hills beyond Yau-mat running out to Kowloon City and even farther than that, to Fan Ling.

A Deal of Firing.

Most of the men were in their positions by 11 o'clock this morning and at about that hour there was quite a good deal of firing away past the Chinese cemetery. At the bridge just before the entrance to the Yau-mat railway station there was a body of Indian troops with two field guns, while the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry Band was waiting under the bridge near by to play the troops past Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton. Passing under the bridge a "Telegraph" representative climbed the nearest available hill in the hope of seeing something which would give some idea of what was going on. He found one of the R.E.'s with a red badge in his helmet keeping a lookout. He had no information to give and did not know what was going on. As to the number of men in the operations he was in complete ignorance. The next hill was climbed with laborious effort only to draw a blank, but away in the distance were two men apparently officers who were on the watch with field glasses. Walking on over the bare hillside the end of a spur was reached and then it was for the first time that anything was seen of the day's work. Away on the right a puff of smoke was followed by the report of a cannon. It was, we surmised, the gun of the attacking "Whites." It was followed by answering explosions in the vicinity from which we had come. Apparently the "reds" were returning the compliment.

A Clue to the Position.

Shortly afterwards a pack mule with a thin line of Indians were seen toiling up a hill on the other side of the road along which we had come. That gave a clue to the position of some of the defenders. During the day earthworks in the form of trenches had been thrown up and four of these were to be seen on the face of the hill opposite, fronting towards the locality from which "White" had been firing. There were three of these on the sides of the hill and one directly on the summit just over the short tunnel that the railway passes through just after leaving Yau-mat. Of course there was only a small portion

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Street Horrors.

Cannot something be done by the authorities to clear the streets of the Colony of the horrible specimens of deformed and diseased Chinese which one from time to time encounters in the main thoroughfares? In both Hongkong and Kowloon it is a fairly common sight to see Chinese in such a state of deformity that they have either to crawl along or to be carried, while others are so stricken with skin diseases as to make one shudder at the sight of them. And in nearly all cases, these people openly tout for "cums-shaws." A few days since, in a side street leading off Des Voeux Road, a woman could be seen exhibiting what appeared to be a starving baby, almost at death's door. She squatted on the pavement with the poor little mite in her arms, and at her feet was displayed a placard in Chinese, probably appealing for money from passers-by. Such sights as these, however much we may pity the victims, have no rightful place in a British Colony. Not only are they repulsive, but in certain circumstances they possess terrible possibilities for those who may witness them. Where are the police and the charitable societies that they allow such blots in our social life so forcefully to obtrude themselves on the notice of the public?

Water Shortage.

The water supply return just issued makes anything but cheerful reading. There are only 220 million gallons in Tatum reservoir, as compared with 407 millions last year at this time. Elsewhere the decrease is not so noticeable, but the total storage has nevertheless dropped from 679 million gallons last year to 417 now. The consumption per head per day is now 17.3 gallons as against 24.4 in 1911, so that the drop here does not quite meet the shortage in supply as compared with this period of 1911. Kowloon is better served. The figures are 289 million gallons as against 351 a year ago and the consumption per head has gone up from 9.1 to 11.2 gallons; still, Kowloon has sufficient to tide her readily over the dry period. In the city, however, there is strong need for the exercise of care in the use of water if there is not to be a famine which will be remembered for a long time.

of the "reds" in trenches as a last line of defence; the greater part seemed miles away in the hills. Under the following bridge the bands of the 25th and 26th Baluchis were waiting for their regiment to come past. Climbing on to the line a short cut was taken back to Yau-mat station where it was found that the General was to have tiffin, preparations for which were being made.

At the end of the operations which are expected to take only half a day the whole of the forces engaged are to be lined up and marched past the general for inspection under the Yau-mat Bridge. The weather for this kind of work was everything that could be desired though it tended to be rather too hot to be quite comfortable.

It was reported in Hongkong this afternoon that the Whites had gained the honour of the combat, having defeated the defending party.

THE "DEFENCE."

We hear that orders have been received in Hongkong from the Admiralty to the effect that H.M.S. Defence, at present in dry dock, and possibly another cruiser, are to be prepared for sea at once. It is said that the order is in connection with affairs in the Near East, and we understand that work is going on night and day to prepare the cruisers for sea duty. A further report states that victualling stores sufficient for several months are to be placed aboard the cruisers.

Canton's Independence. The Chinese national flag is much in evidence to-day, in the streets of the Colony, the occasion being the anniversary of the declaration of "independence" by Canton.

Mr. Hall Caine.

A Home paper is beginning a series of Autobiographical articles by Mr. Hall Caine, entitled "How I began." There may reasonably be not a few readers who wish that Mr. Hall Caine had never begun at all. We do not go that length, but we wish he had confined himself to writing nothing before or after "The Deemster," "The Bondman," and "The Manxman." These three, despite certain weaknesses inseparable from the work of people of Mr. Caine's type, all contained situations that approached as nearly as possible to extreme brilliancy, and it seems a pity that he should not have been content to "let it go at that"—as the Americans say. One of the most melancholy signs of the times is the popularity of the typical Hall Caine or Marie Corelli novel. The fact that tinsel, self-"boosting" and cheap erudition can pass muster as "dear" work, only shows how utterly ill-trained—the mind of the British public is as a whole.

"Self-boosting."

Self-"boosting," however, would seem to have been really necessary in the case not of the people whom we have named, but of far greater than they; of men whose work was of so lofty a character that, until the public were dragged forcibly up to that work, and made to realise its value, it was practically unknown. Such was the case with Rodin, Whistler and Oscar Wilde; and it is to the lasting disgrace of the public that such geniuses could only succeed by virtue of vulgar yelling of their wares. Auguste Rodin is probably the greatest sculptor the world has seen in three centuries; but it was not till he was nearly sixty that the outside world knew anything of him—and then only because commercial instinct bade him hire a tiny annex to the Paris Exhibition of 1900, and there exhibit, in shop fashion, his incomparable works of art. Whistler, as great a genius as he was a crank, pursued methods of self advertisement even coarser, while the writer of "Lady Windermere's Fan" found that the play would be best advertised by his replying to the calls for "Author" with a cigarette in his mouth.

HONGKONG'S ABNORMAL WEATHER.

The Director of the Hongkong Observatory reports that the rainfall for the month of October, 0.015 inch, was the least on record, except in October, 1890, when the same amount fell. October droughts occurred in 1892, 1895, 1899, 1902, and 1910, when the falls were respectively 0.020, 0.500, 0.875, 0.935, and 0.045 inch.

The amount of sunshine, 241.6 hours, was the greatest on record except in 1897, 1899, and 1893, when the amounts were respectively 281.1, 272.5, and 244.6 hours.

The rainfall for September and October, 3.895 inches, was the least on record, except in 1890 and 1902, when the falls were respectively 1.955 and 1.570 inch.

Found Drowned.

The body of a Chinese male aged 40 years, has been found floating in the Harbour near Wing Lok Wharf. Information has been received by the police to the effect that death was caused by drowning as a result of a collision between a cargo boat and the s.s. Yuen Sang on the 5th inst.

Accidental Death.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. O. D. Melbourne, held an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of a man who fell from the first floor of a house in 73rd Street. Mr. Melbourne said that the man had accidentally met his death through receiving a fractured skull, and expressed the opinion that it would be advisable to have a railing along the passage leading from the first floor to the kitchen where the man fell.

SPECIAL CABLES.

SIR FRANCIS PIGGOTT.

DANGEROUSLY ILL IN PEKING.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, November 9.
Sir Francis Piggott, after an attack of appendicitis, is lying dangerously ill in Peking.

MONGOLIA'S FUTURE.

THE CONVENTION WITH RUSSIA.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, November 9.
Last evening M. Kroupensky, the Russian Ambassador at Peking, presented to the Chinese Government the Agreement signed at Urga on the 3rd inst. between Russia and Mongolia.

It provides for the observance of the rights of Russian traders in Mongolia according to the terms of the Protocol and in line with the provisions of the Russo-Chinese Treaty of 1881.

It agrees not to allow the Chinese Government to interfere with the administration of Mongolia, to colonize or to send troops into the territory.

The document does not recognize the independence of Mongolia and does not bar China from maintaining her suzerainty, but it expressly implies that any endeavour on the part of China to exert force will bring the Russian troops in the field to aid the Mongolians.

China is strongly protesting against the Agreement.

FERRIS HARTMAN COMPANY.

"The Winning Jockey" last night at the Theatre Royal was not quite so good a winner as some of the other plays that Mr. Hartman has given us; still a numerous and representative audience were enthusiastic about some of the songs and lines.

Mr. Hartman, as "Noah Little, an office boy, was exceedingly funny, especially in his often reiterated wish for his "other pants."

Mr. Walter de Leon as "Ryder Little," a real jockey, was amusing in his role, and his songs in the first act: "I love you, love you, love you," and "I'd rather be up than down," were received with much applause.

Miss "Muggins" Davies was, as ever, dainty and charming, and her song-duet with Mr. Hartman—"The Yum Yum Tree"—was decidedly the hit of the evening, many encores being called.

Miss Josie Hart was brilliant in her part as the Spanish dancer, "Papinta," her costume of beautiful black lace over blue satin piquante eliciting many expressions of admiration from the ladies in the audience.

Miss Dixie Blair, who had the part of a stenographer, danced and sang delightfully and was ably supported by the chorus.

Of course Mr. Arbuckle, as "Mr. Thompson, a millionaire Sport," lived up to the reputation of comedy that he has made for himself, and as the owner of a racing stable he was decidedly good.

The other members of the cast did their work cleverly, and it is a pity that the play did not give them greater opportunity.

The settings and the costumes were beautiful. Mr. Hartman has spared no expense nor trouble to present to his audiences clean comedy that necessitates the hardest kind of hard work and incessant rehearsals.

This afternoon the Company give a matinee of "The Toy Maker" and to-night "Fairy Tales" will be produced. It is understood that Mr. Arbuckle, as "Queen of the Fairies," in tights and ballet skirts, is more than usually funny and that playgoers will be well repaid for their trouble in attending the theatre.

Unclaimed Balances.

An order has been made by H.E. the Governor that sums amounting to \$10,413.29 which have been unclaimed in the Treasury for a period exceeding five years, be transferred to General Revenue subject to the provisions of the Unclaimed Balances Ordinance.

POST OFFICE

ANOMALIES.

Story of a Macao Note.

A customer to the Hongkong General Post Office relates the following experience:—

"Shortly after nine o'clock yesterday morning I went to the Post Office to despatch a Christmas parcel for Home. The amount of the postage and registration fees came to 85 cents. I tendered a ten-dollar bill, and among the change which I received were two Macao dollar notes.

"About two hours later, I again went to the Post Office with a similar parcel. The postage and registration fees came to the same amount—85 cents—and this time I tendered to the Chinese assistant behind the counter one of the Macao notes which I had been given as change in the morning. Imagine my surprise when the Chinese assistant informed me in broken English that the note could not be accepted. I did my best to explain that the note was one which I had just two hours previously been given as change at the same counter, but the only response I could get was a bland smile and the remark, 'Sorry, no can.' Not wishing to make a fuss over so small a matter, I paid the fees in Hongkong money.

"To get a receipt for the parcel, it was necessary to go to a Portuguese assistant, and as he was making out the document, I incidentally mentioned to him the story of the Macao note. Already I had received one surprise; now I got another, for he immediately took up the endgels on my behalf and declared that the Chinese assistant had no right whatever to refuse acceptance of the Macao note. He requested me to point out the Chinese, which I did.

"Surprise Number 3 was soon to come. The Portuguese asked the Chinese what he meant by refusing to accept the Macao note; the latter replied to the effect that he had been told not to accept such notes. As it happened, a European official then came along; whereupon the Portuguese appealed to him. 'No,' declared the European, 'we can't accept Macao notes!' 'But,' I pointed out, 'I was given two as change out of a ten-dollar bill at this very counter only two hours ago!' That gave the European furiously to think, and after a few moments' hesitation he said:—'Well, if that's the case, perhaps we had better take the note.' I, however, explained that I had already paid in Hongkong money, and that I would not bother further about the matter. What I would like to know, however, is whether Macao notes are legal tender at the Post Office. Apparently the officials themselves do not know, and I am sure that I don't."

STRATHISLA (PERAK) ESTATE.

The report of the Strathisla (Perak) Rubber Estates, Limited, states that work on the estate is going on satisfactorily. At the end of March, 1911, the planted area consisted of 632 acres, made up as follows:—Old rubber, 4 acres; two and a-half years old, 25 acres; planted in 1910-11, 603 acres. During the year to March 31, 1912, 468 acres were planted, the abnormal drought during part of the year preventing the programme of 600 acres being completed. In addition to the 468 acres planted 504 acres were on March 31 in various stages of preparation for planting; 80 acres of land, which, being low lying and irrigable, were more suitable for Malay paddy fields than for rubber, were surrendered to the Government, and the same number of acres of suitable rubber land were given to the Company in exchange. A tin prospecting licence was issued to the Company in April, 1912, which carries the right to convert into mining titles any area up to 300 acres if deemed advisable. A prospectus for a new issue of 300,000 shares was circulated at the end of April last. The issue was not underwritten, and 151,800 shares were applied for and allotted. The prospectus gave a very detailed account of the estate, and the directors therefore feel that a lengthy report on this occasion is not required.

FREIGHT CIRCULAR.

Messrs Lamke and Rogge's freight circular, dated Hongkong, 9th November, states:—

The freight market during the fortnight under review has retained all the strength recently acquired, and if there is not much business done in the different trades this is due to the light offerings of tonnage, whilst time-chartering for prompt as well as forward delivery has been upon a very extensive scale, and in some instances exceptionally high rates have been put through.

The North reports that charterers are experiencing difficulty in securing tonnage after so many of the "outsiders" have been taken up on time-charter by the South, and regular liners at the moment having all their work out to handle regular business, even coal freights Moji/Sanghai at \$1.80; do not tempt owners.

From Saigon to this there is very little doing for "regular" liners and 7 cents can be taken as nominal quotation. There will be nothing doing in the way of chartering until the new crop is available for export purposes.

Rice exports during this season amount to total 502,496 tons as compared with 623,137 tons same period last year. Quotation stands for November Shipment \$5.38, per picul f.o.b. against \$6.07, same period last year.

New Crop:—Latest reports from Saigon are to the effect that the weather continues favourable for the crop which is reported to be growing satisfactorily in the different provinces, but it is stated that owing to drought, planting was completed only about one month later than usual and consequently to ensure best results, the rainy season will need to be exceptionally prolonged. As to the yield, it is too early yet to give any reliable idea.

Saigon/Philippines:—A couple of fixtures have taken place on better terms than last paid, the rate advancing from 35 cents to 37 cents per picul. Mail advice to hand report that the greatest rice-crop in the history of the Philippines is assured. In all districts there is a good crop and in Batangas the rice crop is now being harvested, and is a record breaker.

Saigon-Java:—Nothing doing. Java Outward:—There was some inquiry for tonnage and we hear of several boats being chartered at 45 cents per picul.

Bangkok:—Regular liners have lately been getting full cargoes of the old stock.

New Crop:—Favourable weather has been experienced for the growing crop, but much depends on whether good rainfall will continue well into November.

Japan Crop:—According to a preliminary estimate 5 per cent. of the Rice crop has been destroyed by the typhoon which swept over the Southern half of the Central Island on the 22nd of September, and the first estimate of 7,679,108 tons must now be reduced to 7,295,203 tons. In many well informed quarters it is believed that the eventual reduction of crop will be about 10 per cent.

Newchwang-Canton:—No fresh business has been done during the last fortnight, and importers having booked sufficient tonnage ahead for loading before Newchwang becomes ice-bound, no further chartering is probable this season.

Timecharter:—Chartering has again been upon a very extensive scale and much advanced rates.

Coal Freight from Moji to this. Indications from Japan point to a slightly easier feeling.

Fixtures Reported:—Moji/Hongkong \$2.20. Newchwang/Amoy \$3.25. Taingtau/Amoy \$3.50. Port Courbet/Swato \$3. Hongkong/Hongkong \$2.50. and Hongkong/Swato/Amoy \$2.50/\$3.50 per ton.

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The Christmas mail for parcels to the United Kingdom, etc., via Gibraltar, closed in Hongkong last evening and was despatched to-day the s.s. India. It consisted altogether of 1,429 packages, despatched in 74 boxes and two mailbags. Of the total some 240 were insured.

The aggregate number of parcels this year is considerably below that of last year, being some 500 less. This is largely accounted for by the absence from the waters of the Colony of a considerable portion of the British Fleet, though it would also appear that the diminution may be partly due to the public not having the money to spend in presents on the same scale as hitherto. The sum total of insured value of parcels is approximately about \$2,500.

The mail leaving here on the 22nd inst., via Brindisi, is due in London three days before Christmas Day, but parcels sent by this route require an extra fee of 60 cents each, while the insured value cannot exceed \$20.

SHAM POLICEMAN.

Trick to Extort Squeeze from Hawkers.

At the Police Court, a man was charged with falsely representing himself as a policeman and taking two oranges from the stall of a hawker whilst representing himself as a policeman. According to the evidence he went up to the stall of the hawker and took the oranges. He was asked for the money and replied "Don't you know who I am? I am a policeman." The hawker said that it did not matter if he was, he would have to pay or he (the hawker) would give him in charge. The defendant did not pay, and as a result, he was brought before the Court, this morning.

When asked by the Magistrate if he was a policeman he said that he was not, but was a business man.

Inspector Fenton said that there had been many complaints of supposed policeman approaching hawkers in the streets, and asking if they had licenses. If they did not have licenses squeeze was extorted from them.

Defendant was fined \$100 or in default six weeks.

Siamese Minister Leaves.

Among the passengers who left for Manila by the s.s. Rabi was Phya Maha Amnat, Minister of Interior of Siam.

King of Italy's Birthday.

Monday the 11th, is the anniversary of the birthday of the King of Italy, and the Italian Consul in Hongkong will hold a reception in his office from 11 a.m. till 12.30 p.m.

Volunteer Promotions.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to promote Lieutenant Alec Fleming Churchill, of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, to the rank of Captain, and to appoint Mr. Thomas Graham Weal and Mr. Robert Oliphant-Hutchinson to be Second Lieutenants in the Scouts Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

FEW DISCOVERIES

OF TIN.

The high prices for tin which have now prevailed for some time have stimulated production in all the large producing countries, and have drawn out larger exports from the Yunnan provinces in China. They have not, however, developed any important new sources of supply. The yield from Nigeria, from which much was expected, remains small. Tin discoveries are reported from time to time in different countries, but few of them seem to reach the point of actual production, and we continue to rely on the old-time producers for our supplies of this metal.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

Health Officers.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Dr. Fritz Grone to act as Second Health Officer of the Port and Inspector of Emigrants and Dr. Lindsey Woods to act as Assistant Health Officer of the Port and Inspector of Emigrants during the absence on leave of Dr. Charles Forsyth, or until further notice, with effect from the 20th instant.

"Town Topics" and the "Sporting Times"

In the Court of Appeal on Tuesday, before the Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Farwell, and Lord Justice Hamilton, the "Sporting Times" Company's appeal from Mr. Justice Bankes's refusal to grant an interlocutory injunction restraining the Pitcher Enterprise Company from printing and publishing "Town Topics" in a manner similar in colour and get-up to the "Sporting Times" was dismissed with costs.

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W. CHATHAM, Director of Public Works, Public Works Office, Hongkong, 9th Nov., 1912. [818]

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DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Thursday, 14th Nov., Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 16th Nov., 2 P.M.
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These steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to the Superior Saloon and Cabin. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI TAI" Tons 1651 S.S. "SUI AN" Tons 1651

HONGKONG TO MACAO.

Week days at 8 A.M. & 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. Sunday at 9 A.M. & 12.30 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MACAO TO HONGKONG.

Week days at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sunday, at 7.30 A.M. and 5 P.M.

EXCURSION TO MACAO SUNDAY, 10th NOVEMBER.

The Company's Steamship, "SUI AN."

Will depart from the Company's WING LOK STREET WHARF at 9 A.M. and return from Macao at 5 P.M.

The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 12.30 P.M. from the Company's WING LOK STREET WHARF.

This steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 5 P.M.

FARES AS USUAL.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. HOI-SANG, 457 Tons.

Departures from Canton to Canton on Mon., Tues., & Fri., at 9 P.M.

Departures from Macao to Macao on Tues., Thurs., & Sat., at 4.30 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 589 Tons, and "NANNING," 589 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers "LINTAN" and "SANUI." These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

Booking Office open daily (Sunday excepted) 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Further particulars may be obtained at the office of the

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(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamers and Displacement	Sailing Dates
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MARSEILLES:	LYO MARU, Capt. Hirata, T. 12,000	WEDNESDAY, 20th Nov., at Daylight.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ & PORT SAID	HIRANO MARU, Capt. Prater, T. 16,000	WEDNESDAY, 4th Dec., at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, GU, & YAMAGUCHI	SHINABA MARU, Capt. S. Tomioka, T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 19th Nov., at Noon.
	SHIDZUOKA MARU, Capt. T. Iizawa, T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 19th Dec., at Noon.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MANILA, TRINIDAD, ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 9,600	FRIDAY, 22nd Nov., at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, T. 9,300	FRIDAY, 20th Dec., at Noon.

BOMBAY & SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	KAWACHI MARU, Capt. A. Christensen, T. 6,000	MONDAY, 11th November.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON	TOSA MARU, Capt. Sato, T. 12,500	SATURDAY, 16th November.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAMO MARU, Capt. F. L. Sommer, T. 16,000	THURSDAY, 11th Nov., at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KIRIN MARU, Capt. Doguchi, T. 5,000	MONDAY, 11th Nov.

NSAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, T. 9,300	WEDNESDAY, 11th Nov., at Noon.
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† Cargo only.		
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† Fitted with new system of wireless telegraphy.

REDUCED RATES OF PASSAGE.

Hongkong to Pacific Coast ports	1st class £25	2nd class £17
Hongkong to London via New York	1st class £56	2nd class £40

" " via Montreal	1st class £54	2nd class £37
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Round-the-World, 1st class throughout, via New York	£102
" " via Montreal	£100

N.B. While the rates are reduced, the excellence of the service in all respects will be maintained as heretofore.

[5] T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers	To Sail
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SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	9th Nov. M'night.
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SHANGHAI	"KWEILIN"	11th " Noon.
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HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	12th " 10 A.M.
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MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"TEAN"	12th " 4 P.M.
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WEIHAIWEI & TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	13th " 4 P.M.
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SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	14th " 4 P.M.
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SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	16th " M'night.
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This steamer has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

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MA'ILA LINE—Twin "crew Steamers" "Tea" and "Taming," saloon accommodation amidships; electric fans fitted; extra state-rooms on deck, aft. Saloon accommodation of s.s. "Kailong" is situated on deck, aft; Electric Fans fitted.

SHANGHAI LINE—FAST SCHEDULE TWIN-SOREW STEAMERS (Anhui, Ohsan, Lian, Ohsan)—with excellent passenger accommodation. Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leave Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

N.B.—Passengers must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailings. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

These steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transshipment at Woosung.

Reduced Fares:—Single \$45. Return \$75.

NEW SERVICE.

SHANGHAI TO ANTUNG

Sailing on alternate Wednesdays.

For Freight or Passage apply to **BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.**

Telephone No. 35. Hongkong, 9th November, 1912.

Shipping

HONGKONG—PHILIPPINES.

PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP CO



Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO	4000	F. E. Gross	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	SATURDAY, 16th Nov., 4 P.M.
RUBI	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	WEDNESDAY, 27th Nov., 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,

GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong 8th November, 1912.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Regular Fortnightly Service between JAVA, CHINA and JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tjibodas	JAVA	1st half Nov.	SHANGHAI	1st half Nov.
Tjitarcom	JAPAN	1st half Nov.	JAVA	1st half Nov.
Tjimah	JAVA	2nd half Nov.	JAVA	2nd half Nov.
Tjilwong	JAPAN	2nd half Nov.	JAVA	2nd half Nov.
Tjimanok	JAVA	2nd half Nov.	JAPAN	2nd half Nov.
Tjilatap	JAVA	1st half Dec.	JAPAN	1st half Dec.
Tjilini	JAVA	1st half Dec.	SHANGHAI	1st half Dec.
Tjipanas	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light, and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon passengers, and will take cargo to all Ports in the Netherlands-India on through B/L.

For particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN,

Telephone No. 375 York Building. [15]

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Imperial Japanese Trans-Pacific Mail Line.

SAN FRANCISCO LINE

Connecting with the Western Pacific Railway at San Francisco to all points in the United States and Canada and with Trans-Atlantic Lines to Europe.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration).

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	21,000	H. S. Smith	Nov. 25th, Noon.
S.S. "Chiyu Maru"	11,000	W. W. Greene	Dec. 21st, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	21,000	A. G. Stevens	Jan. 11th, Noon.
S.S. "Tonyo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	Jan. 17th, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Sorews.

All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.

The steamer "Shinyo Maru" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 26th Nov., at Noon.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

The twin-screw steamer "Nippon Maru" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 11th January, 1913, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

In connection with the National Railway of Mexico at Manzanillo and the Tehuantepec National Railway at Salinas Cruz.

Only Regular Direct Service to Mexican, Chilean and Peruvian Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to Alteration).

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Tuesday, December 3, Noon.
Kiyo Maru	17,600	Saturday, February 1, Noon 1913.
Buyo Maru	10,500	Thursday, April 3, Noon 1913.

For Further Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to

S. MORIMOTO, Agent.

(KING'S BUILDING Opposite Blake Pier)

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MONGOLIA	MANCHURIA	KOREA	SIBERIA
27,000 tons, twin screws.	27,000 tons, twin screws.	27,000 tons, twin screws.	27,000 tons, twin screws.

From Hongkong calling at Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe (Via Inland Sea), Yokohama and Honolulu (The Paradise of the Pacific). Through Service via New York to Europe.

SOME FEATURES OF SERVICE.

LIGHTS AND FANS. Individual Electric Reading Light in each berth and Electric Fan in each State-room and passenger's control.

SWIMMING TANK. Is installed on deck for salt water plunging. Bathing suits on board.

HAND. Billiard table and Billiard room, and also during Tiffin and Dinner.

CIGARETTES. The Captain is under the direct supervision of one of the world's most famous caterers.

GAMES AND AMUSEMENTS. Deck Games, such as Quoits, Shuffle board and all kinds of gymnastic sports, are arranged during the voyage, as well as indoor amusements, such as musical entertainments. Games and Amusements. Deck Games, such as Quoits, Shuffle board and all kinds of gymnastic sports, are arranged during the voyage, as well as indoor amusements, such as musical entertainments.

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BIG KEELS. Are fitted into the hull to prevent rolling at sea, thus ensuring steadiness and constant comfort.

THE COST. Is returned by this route with its unrivalled opportunities, than by any other route.

For a return ticket to London the cost is but £20, including berth and meals across America. To San Francisco via Japan and Honolulu the cost is £45. For the INTERMEDIATE SERVICE First Class accommodations are provided for £15 to London (return ticket £24) and to San Francisco £25. SPECIAL RATES to officers, Army, Navy, Consular or Civil Service.

Steamers: *Persia

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LINIE.IN CONJUNCTION WITH
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Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES,
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Marseilles, Havre, Bremen and Hamburg and New York.

Taking Cargo at Through rates to all European North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste,
Lisbon, Oporto, Genoa, and other Mediterranean Levantine, Black Baltic Sea and
Port, and all North and South American Ports.

Next Sailings from Hongkong :

OUTWARD.

For Bangkok, Kobe & Yokohama :
S.S. LIBERIA.....12th Nov.
" ALESIA.....18th Nov.
" SAMBIA.....8th Dec.
" ARMENIA.....17th Dec.
" ALTMARK.....27th Dec.
" SILESIA.....14th Jan.
" O. J. D. AILERS.....26th Jan.
" SUEVIA.....10th Feb.

HOMEWARD.

For Marseilles & Hamburg :
S.S. SENEGAMBIA.....11th Nov.
For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg :
S.S. SCANDIA.....17th Nov.
For Bremen, Hamburg & Antwerp :
S.S. SITHONIA.....21st Nov.
For Bremen & Hamburg :
S.S. ARAGONIA.....23rd Nov.
For Havre, Rotterdam & Hamburg :
S.S. BAYERN.....2nd Dec.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie,
Hongkong Office.BRITISH INDIA S. N.
CO., LTD.NEW FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN
KOBÉ, HONGKONG AND RANGOON.

EASTWARD.

The S.S. "LAWADA," 3,260 tons, Captain C. H. Lane, will be
despatched for KOBÉ on the 15th November, at Noon, to be followed on the
21st November, by S.S. "WARDHA," Captain Evans, taking Cargo and
Passengers at current rates.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
AGENTS.Telephone No. 215,
Hongkong, 8th November, 1912.

LOG BOOK.

The Sinking of the Umegaka
Maru.

At last the market, says the
"Times," has received some
official details of the accident to
the valuable Japanese steamer
Umegaka Maru at Shimonoeki,
and it could only find them
thoroughly unpalatable. The
capsizing of the vessel on Monday
is, it is stated, supposed to have
been due to the cover of a ballast
tank having been left unfastened,
while the boilers and engines
were being cleaned. Presumably
this means that when a ballast
tank was being filled the water
rose through the aperture giving
access to the hold above, which
was open at the time, causing
the vessel to become unstable.
As for the prospects of salvage,
the vessel lies on her port side in
seven or eight fathoms of water,
500 yards from the shore in a
strong tide, which makes it im-
practicable for divers to work
more than three hours daily.
There are no salvage appliances
nearer than Kobe or Nagasaki,
and with such a combina-
tion of unfortunate circumstances
as is outlined above, it is impos-
sible not to think there is ample
justification for the official com-
ment that "the case looks bad."
Even in shallow water in a shel-
tered harbour a vessel when lying
on her side presents serious diffi-
culties in the way of salvage.
The case of the British ship
Talios, of 2,000 tons, in February,
1900, was a successful example
of salvage. The far more im-
portant and difficult case of the
fiasco attending the attempted
launch near Genoa, in 1907 of
the Italian mail ship Principe
Jolanda was an unsuccessful
example. The liner rolled off the
ways on her side into mud, and
through the accident and the
subsequent efforts to save the
vessel both owners and under-
writers lost much money.

The expert despatched by
Lloyd's underwriters arrived at
Shimonoeki from London on
Oct. 22, and is now carrying out
investigations on the wreck of
the Umegaka Maru. He is being
assisted by an expert of the Mitsui
Bishi Shipbuilding Yard.

Serious Collision with Merchant
Ship.

News arrives from Sheerness
of a serious collision on October 1
between the destroyer Liffey and
a merchant steamer, said to be
the Fingal. The Liffey was at-
tached to the Fifth Destroyer
Flotilla, based at Harwich, and it
was whilst she was engaged in
exercises with the warships near
Olsson that the collision occur-
red. The Liffey was struck on

the port side, near the fore-castle,
and a big rent was made both
above and below the water line.
The collision was placed in
position, and other destroyers
went to her assistance. When
the ships struck, three men on
the destroyer were sleeping in
their hammocks in the compart-
ment under the fore-castle. They
had very narrow escapes. The
Liffey was towed by two des-
troyers to Sheerness, where orders
were issued that she should be
dry-docked for repairs. The Fingal
is said to have been uninjured.

The Yalu and Navigation.
The Antung correspondent to
the "Manchuria Daily News"
writes that owing to the recent
sharp fall of the mercury, thin
ice formed along the shorefront
of the River. The steam-boats,
lumber junks etc. engaged in
lumber traffic in the Upper Yalu
are reported to have already started
preparations for wintering.
The present indications are that the
Yalu will be closed to navigation
about the middle part of Novem-
ber, almost half-a-month earlier
than a normal year.

Newchang Pilots.
We fancy that the pilots are
not having any too good a time
of it this season when we hear of
them being as many as ten days
on the bar waiting for a ship to
turn up. We know, states the
"China Times," that attempts
were made some years ago by
certain well known merchants to
institute compulsory pilotage
at Newchang but the attempt
made ended in failure.

The Delaware.
The big battle-ship "Delaware"
is the ideal fighter of the Ameri-
can Navy. The vessel stands at
the head of the list of the twenty-
one battle-ships of the Navy in
battle efficiency for the year 1911-
12. Her final merit figures, as
compiled by the Navy Depart-
ment, give that vessel a rating of
74,758 per cent. The "Colorado"
is second with 68,301, and the
"Maryland" third, with 65,952.
Battle efficiency is computed from
the ship's record at target prac-
tice and general fighting condi-
tion.

Rainfall in India.

The Secretary of State for India
has received the following tele-
gram from the Viceroy, dated
October 15:—Rainfall has been
good in the Bombay Deccan,
Mysore, South Madras; fair in
Burma, Assam, Bengal. There
has been occasional rain in
Gujarat, Rajputana, North-West
Frontier Province, South Hydera-
bad, North Madras. Next week
rain will probably be light and
confined to Burma and southern
half of the Peninsula.

VESSELS TAKING CARGO.

European Ports.

Destination..	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Flintshire	J. M. & Co.	20 November
London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Nyanza	P. & O. Co.	13 Nov., about
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Soandia	H. A. L.	15 November
Bremen, Hamburg and Antwerp, &c.	Sithosia	H. A. L.	22 November
Marseilles and Hamburg	Senegambia	H. A. L.	10 November
Marseilles, London, &c.	Iyo Maru	N. Y. K.	20 November
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Dangier	Bank Line	Begin: January
Rotterdam and Hamburg, &c.	Aragonia	H. A. L.	5 December
Trieste via Singapore, Penang & Colombo, &c.	Bohemia	S. W. & Co.	19 November
Naples, Genoa, Algiers, Gibraltar, Southampton	P. E. Friedrich	M. & Co.	13 November

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston and New York via Suez Canal	City of Baroda	Bank Line	25 Nov., about
Baltimore and New York	Saint Patrick	D. & Co.	14 Nov., about
Baltimore and New York via Suez Canal	Indrakush	J. M. & Co.	6 December
New York via Suez Canal	Sandon Hall	Bank Line	5 December
San Francisco via Japan, &c.	Persia	P. M. Co.	12 November
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan	Siberia	P. M. Co.	3 December
do do do	Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	26 November
San Francisco via Keelung and Japan, &c.	Korea	P. M. Co.	19 November
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Inaba Maru	N. Y. K.	19 November
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Keelung, &c.	Mexico Maru	O. S. K.	12 November
Vancouver	Monteagle	C. P. R. Co.	14 December
Vancouver, &c.	Lord Curzon	Bank Line	20 November
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of Japan	C. P. R. Co.	16 November
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Hongkong Maru	T. K. K.	3 December

Australia.

Australian Ports	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	22 November
do do	Taiyuan	B. & S.	28 November
Australian Ports via Manila	Prinz Sigismund	M. & Co.	30 November

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroem	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle November
Bombay via Singapore and Penang	Capri	C. & Co.	13 November
Bombay via Singapore and Colombo	Kawachi Maru	N. Y. K.	11 November
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Fooksang	J. M. & Co.	14 November
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Toa Maru	N. Y. K.	16 November
Sandakan	Mausang	J. M. & Co.	16 November
Chinwantao	Onsang	J. M. & Co.	11 November
Japan	Lawada	J. M. & Co.	13 November
do	Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Japan, &c.	Alesia	H. A. L.	19 November
Kobe and Yokohama	Prinz Sigismund	M. & Co.	12 Nov., about
do do	Kamo Maru	N. Y. K.	21 November
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	20 November
Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Yatsushiro	J. M. & Co.	13 November
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	Persia	S. W. & Co.	30 November
Amoy and Toka via Swatow and Amoy	Sosho Maru	O. S. K.	13 November
Tientsin	Cheongshing	J. M. & Co.	13 November
do	Huichow	B. & S.	13 November
Haiphong	Singan	B. & S.	12 November
Kwang-chow-wang and Haiphong	Si-Kiang	M. M. Co.	20 November
Swatow	Haimun	D. L. & Co.	10 November
do do	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	12 November
Manila	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	15 November
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Loongsang	J. M. & Co.	16 November
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Tan	B. & S.	12 November
Shanghai, Tientsin, Kobe and Yokohama	Zafro	S. T. & Co.	16 November
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Princess Alice	M. & Co.	13 Nov., about
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	20 November
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Sicilia	P. & O. Co.	14 November
do do do	Namsang	J. M. & Co.	13 November
do do do	Liberia	H. A. L.	13 November
do do do	Kirin Maru	N. Y. K.	11 November
do do do	Ernest Simons	M. M. Co.	18 November
Shanghai and Japan	Monmouthshire	J. M. & Co.	30 November
Shanghai	Ceylon	A. N. & Co.	17 November
do	Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Kwongsang	J. M. & Co.	17 November
do	Devanha	P. & O. Co.	21 November

The Dare-to-Dies.

It is on the cards, says the "N.
China Daily News," that Shang-
hai within the next few days lose
its best known regiment. The
order has been issued for the
"Dare-to-Dies" to proceed to
Nanking, although so far the
matter requiring their presence
there has not been divulged. It
is understood that within the
past day or two a sum of \$10,000
has been brought to Shanghai for
the purpose of paying these and
other troops. A successor to Mr.
Li Ping-shu, Mr. Zung by name,
has now arrived to take charge of
the Arsenal.

Wireless Telegraphy in Mongolia
and Tibet.

The "Peking Daily News"
says that in order to furnish
prompt and reliable information
on the development of current
affairs in Mongolia and Tibet, it
is proposed to instal wireless tele-
graphic stations in Urga, Ulaan-
tai and Koldo in Mongolia, and
in Chiampo, Batang, and Lhasa
in Tibet. This proposal has met
with the approval of the members
of the Cabinet. The Ministry of
Communications has therefore
been directed to call in tenders
from well-known and reliable
wireless telegraphic companies
for the construction of these
stations.

To Sail

THE AMERICAN & MAN-
CHURIAN LINE.

(Hucknall Steamship Lines, Ltd.)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ
CANAL.(With liberty to call at the Malabar
Coast.)

THE Steamship

"SANDON HALL"

Captain O. Roskams, will be despatched
from this port on or about THURSDAY,
the 14th inst., at 1 p.m.

For further particulars, apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 4th Nov., 1912. [827]

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN
LINE.

(Hucknall Steamship Lines, Ltd.)

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK
via SUEZ CANAL.(With liberty to call at the Malabar
Coast.)

THE Steamship

"CITY OF BARODA"

Captain Houghton, will be despatched
from this port on or about MONDAY,
the 25th inst.For Freight and further particulars
apply toTHE BANK LINE, LTD.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 4th Nov., 1912. [769]

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THE Steamship

"ABRATON APCAR"

Capt. B. H. Thomson, will be despatched
as above ports on WEDNESDAY,
the 14th inst., at 1 p.m.

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Hongkong, 6th Nov., 1912. [829]

Regular Steamship Service

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PATRIOT" 11 November.

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Hongkong, 9th Nov., 1912. [768]

MOVEMENTS OF
STEAMERS.

VESSELS ADVERTISED TO

DEPART TO-MORROW.

For	Vessel
Swatow	Daijin-maru.
Swatow	Haimun.

DEPART ON MONDAY.

Sourabaya, Shanghai, Macao, Europe, Japan, Bombay,	Childar. Kwella. Sui Tai. Senegambia. Kiri-maru. Kawach-maru.
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VESSELS ADVERTISED TO

ARRIVE TO-MORROW.

From	Vessel
Tientsin, Shanghai,	Senegambia. Kwongsang.

ARRIVE ON MONDAY.

Sydney, Rangoon, Singapore,	Prinz Sigismund. Seangchoon. Liberia.
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AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Siberia
left San Francisco for Hongkong via
Honolulu, the Japan ports, Shanghai
and Manila, on Saturday, the 26th
ult.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Persia
will be despatched from this port for
San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on
Tuesday, the 12th inst., at 1 p.m.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. China
sailed from San Francisco for
Hongkong via Honolulu, the Japan
ports and Shanghai on Saturday, the
2nd inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Shinyo Maru
arrived at Yokohama from Honolulu on
the 5th inst., and was to again for
Hongkong on the morning of the 8th
inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyo Maru
arrived at San Francisco from Honolulu
on Monday, the 4th inst., and leaves
again for Hongkong on the 15th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru
left Kobe for Yokohama on the 6th
inst., where she was due on the evening
of the 7th.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Korea
will be despatched from this port for
San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Yokohama, Yokohama and
Honolulu on Tuesday, the 19th inst.,
at 1 p.m.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The U. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of
India left Yokohama for Victoria and
Vancouver, B.C., on Tuesday, the 5th
inst., at noon.

FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. s.s. Paul Legat, with
the outward French mail, will leave for
Europe on the 19th inst., at 1 p.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Sigismund
left Sydney on Saturday, the 19th ult.,
at 11 a.m., and may be expected here
on or about Monday, the 11th inst.

The E. & A. s.s. Empire left Sydney
for this port (via Queensland ports and
Manila) on October 29th.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Kumano Maru
Australian Line, left Sydney for this
port via ports on the 8th ult., and is
expected here on the 18th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Barber Line s.s. Wray Castle
sailed from New York on the 18th
August, for Hongkong via the Straits.

The Bank Line s.s. Polaris sailed
from New York on the American and
Oriental Line service for Far Eastern
ports via Suez Canal on the 5th ult.

The s.s. Glenesk passed the Suez
Canal on Tuesday, the 15th ult., for
Hongkong via Straits.

The s.s. Seangchoon left Rangoon on
the 30th ult., for Hongkong via
Penang and Singapore and is expected
to arrive here on the 11th inst.

The Mogul Line s.s. Lovat sailed
from the United Kingdom on the 26th
October for the Far East via the
Straits.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Wakasa Maru
Bombay Line, left Bombay for this
port via ports on the 1st inst., and is
expected here on the 19th inst.

The Danish s.s. India is expected
here on or about the 23rd inst.

The Bank Line s.s. Thor which left
Japan on the 3rd inst., p.m., is due
here on the 19th inst.

The s.s. Glenesk left Singapore on
Wednesday, the 6th inst., and is due
here on Tuesday, the 12th inst., p.m.

The I. O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Kwong-
sang, from Shanghai, is due at
Hongkong on the 10th inst., and leaves
for Shanghai on the 15th inst.

The I. O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Mausang,
from Sandakan, is due at Hongkong on
the 9th inst., and leaves for Sandakan
on the 16th inst.

The I. O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Yatsushiro,
from Singapore, is due at Hongkong on
the 12th inst., and leaves for Japan
on the 14th inst.

The I. O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Namsang,
from Okutaka, is due at Hongkong on
the 17th inst., and leaves for Shanghai
and Japan on the 19th inst.

The Shire Line s.s. Monmouthshire,
from London is due at Hongkong on
the 30th inst. She passed Canal on
the 28th ult.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Lawada,
from Singapore, is due at Hongkong
on the 12th inst., and leaves for Japan
on the 14th inst.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s s.s.
Ceylon left Suez on the 24th ult., and
is expected to arrive here on or about
the 19th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Hongkong Maru
left Yokohama for Kobe on the 6th
inst., and is expected here on the 19th
inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru leaves
Iquique for Calao on the 10th inst.,
where she is due on the 13th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. Bujo Maru
left Honolulu for Manzanillo on the
4th inst., and is due there on the 18th
inst.

The H. A. L. s.s. Senegambia left
Tientsin on the 5th inst., p.m., and
may be expected here on or about the
10th inst.

The H. A. L. s.s. Liberia left
Singapore for Hongkong on the 6th inst., and
may be expected here on or about the
11th inst., a.m.

The Silk ex R. M. S. Monteagle
which left here on the 5th ult., arrived
at New York on Sunday, the 4th inst.,
at 9 p.m.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Arratoon Ahear, Br. s.s., 2,931, R.
F. Thomson, 8th Nov.—
Moji 3rd Nov., Gen.—D. S.
t Co.

Bari Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,369, Y. Mase,
4th Nov.—Kobe 22nd Oct.,
Gen.—D. & Co.

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HONGKONG HOTELS	
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Bell, C. D. J.	Mehra, K. B.
Bena, G. A.	Meyers, Dr. J. M.
Blanch, Mr. and McCullough,	
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Johnston, Mrs. A.	Vollbrecht, Mrs. F.
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Judah, Miss	Whamond, D. M.
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Keator, Miss	Wilson, Miss I.
Keator, Mrs. J. F.	Withington, Mr.
Keator, Jr., J. F.	and Mrs. J. W.
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Koenig, C. V.	Wood, Mr. and
Komer, S.	Mrs. P. R.
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Lee, R. H.	Young, J. A.
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MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, November 7, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Butcher Meat	
Beef Sirloin & Prime Out, — Mei Lang Pa	lb. 20
Cornd, — Ham Ngau Yuk	" 20
Roast, — Shiu	" 16
Breast, — Nagu Lam	" 15
Soup, — Tong Yuk	" 20
Steak, — Ngau Yuk Pa	" 30
do. — Sirloin Cotom — Ngau Lau	" 24
Sausages, — Ngau Chaug	per set 9
Bullock's Brains, — Know	each 45
Tongue fresh, — Ngau Li	" 80
do. — corned, — Ham Ngau Li	" 80
Head, — Ngau Tan	" 12
Heart, — Ngau Sum	" 18
Hump, Salt, — Ngau Kin	" 9
Feet, — Ngau Kask	" 9
Kidneys, — Ngau Yi	" 18
Tail, — Ngau Mei	" 12
Liver, — Ngau Kon	" 6
Tripe (undressed), — Ngau To	" 6
Calve Head & Feet, — Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set \$1
Mutton Chop, — Yeung Pei Kwat	lb. 22
Leg, — Yeung Pei	" 22
Shoulder, — Yeung Shau	" 20
Pigs Chitlings, — Chu Chong	per set 24
Brains, — Chu Know	lb. 12
Feet, — Chu Kark	" 25
Fry, — Chu Chak	" 15
Head, — Chu Tau	each 13
Heart, — Chu Sum	" 9
Kidneys, — Chu Yiu	" 30
Liver, — Chu Con	" 20
Pork, Chop, — Chu Pai Kwat	" 24
Corned, — Ham Chu Yuk	" 15
Log, — Chu Pa	set 50
Fat or Lard, — Chu Yu	each 6
Sheep Head and Feet, — Yeung Tau Kark	" 9
Heart, — Yeung Sum	" 24
Kidneys, — Yeung Yiu	" 22
Liver, — Yeung Con	" 20
Smoking Pigs, To Order, — Chu Cha	" 20
Suet, Beef, — Sang Ngau Yau	" 22
Mutton, — Sang Yeung Yau	" 20
Veal, — Ngau Chai Yuk	" 20
Sausages, — Ngau Chai Chaug	" 20

POULTRY.

Poultry	
Chicken, — Kai Chai	lb. 30
Capon, Large, Small, — Sin Kai	" 25
Ducks, — Ap	each 15
Doves, — Pan Kau	per doz 24
Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tau	lb. 32
Fowls, Canton, — Kai	" 28
Hainan, — Hoi Nam Kai	" 25
Geese, — Ngai	pair 1
Wild Duck, — Shang-ho Yea Ngai	each 80
Mus Deer, — Wong Kang	" 55
Hare, Shanghai, — Tu Chai	pair \$1.50
Partridge, — Cho Khoo	each 28
Pigeons, Canton, — Pak Kup	" 15
Hoihow, — Hoi How Pak Kup	" 15
Quail, — Um Chun	dozen 24
Rice Birds, — Wo Fa Cheul	each 24
Snipe, — So Choy	lb. 60
Turkeys, Cook, — Phor Kai Kung	" 50
Hon, — Na	" \$1.20
Wild Ducks, Shai, — Shang hoi Sui Ap	" 50
Teal, — Sui Ap Chai	" \$1.00
Wild Ducks Canton, — Sang Shing Sui Ap	" \$1.00

FISH.

Fish	
Barbel, — Ka Yu	lb. 8
Bream, — Bin Yu	" 17
Canton Fresh Water Fish, — Hoi Sin Yu	" 20
Carp, — Li Yu	" 18
Catfish, — Ohik Yu	" 28
Codfish, — Man Yu	" 20
Crabs, — Hai	" 16
Outtle Fish, — Muk Yu	" 18
Dab, — Sa Mang Yu	" 10
Dace, — Wong Mei Lun	" 8
Dog Fish, — Tit Tu Sa	" 16
Eels, Congor, — Hoi Mann	" 17
Eels, Fresh water, — Tam Sin Yu	" 24
Eels, Yellow, — Wong Sin	" 28
Frogs, — Tien Kai	" 52
Garoupe, — Sek Pan	" 12
Gudgeon, — Pak Kap Yu	" 18
Herring, — To Pak	" 24
Halibut, — Cheung Kwan Kup	" 30
Labrus, — Wong Fa Yu	" 28
Loach, — Wu Yu	" 30
Lobsters, — Lung Ha	" 30
Mackerel, — Ohi Yu	" 24
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu	" 28
Mullet, — Ohi Yu	" 20
Oysters, — Sang Hoo	" 18
Parrotfish, — Kai Kung Yu	" 15
Perch, — Tau Loo	" 8
Pike, — Fa Paw Poong	" 18
Plaice, — Fan Yu	" 18
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Chong	" 28
Pomfret, White, — Pak Chong	" 40
Prawns, — Ming Ha	" 8
Ray, — Pai Pa Sa	" 15
Rock Fish, — Sek Ka Kung	" 40
Shrimp, — Chai Yu	" 40

Meat	
Salmon, — Ma Yan Y	lb. 32
Shark, — Sa Yu	" 8
Skate, — Po Yu	" 9
Shrimps, — Ha	" 28
Snapper, — Lap Yu	" 32
Soles, — Tat Sa Yu	" 16
Tench, — Wan Yu	" 18
Turbot, — Cho How Yu	" 20
Turtles, small, fresh water, — Kork Yu	" 56
White Bait, — Ngau Yu Chai	" 1

FRUITS.

Fruits	
Almonds, — Hung Yau	lb. 28
Apples (California), — Kam San Ping Kho	" 18
(Chetoo), — Tin Chun Ping Kho	" 1
Small, — Hoi Tong	each 1
Custard, — Fan Lai Chi	" 4
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, — San Shing Heung Chiu	lb. 3
(brides), Macao, — San Heung Chiu	" 4
Chestnuts, Chinese, — Foong Lut	" 12
Carambola, — Yeung Tue	" 8
Cocconuts, — Yeh Tse	each 10
Lemons, China, — Ning Moong	" 8
America, — Kum San Ning Moon	" 20
Lichees Dried, — Lai Chi, small Stone	lb. 20
Fresh,	" 12
Limes, (Sai Gon), — Sai Kung Ning Moong	each 1
Mango, Manila, — Lai Sung Mong	" 1
Mangosteens, — San Chuk Tse	doz 5
Oranges, (Canton), — San-shing Tim Ching	lb. 5
Sweet,	" 8
Pears, (American), — Kam San Shoot Lay	" 15
(Canton), Cooking, — Sa Lay	" 10
Peanuts, — Fa Sang	" 8
Persimmons Large, — Hung Chie	" 8
Pine-apples, 1st quality, — Poon Ti Paw Law	each 10
2nd, — Chung-tang Paw Law	" 3
Plantain, — Tai Chou	lb. 3
Plums, Swatow, Hung Lai	" 10
Pumelo, Siam, — Ohim Lo Yau	each 14
Shanghai, — Lo Kwat	" 12
Walnuts, — Hop Tuo	" 15
Green, — Sang Hop Tuo	" 15
Water Melon, — (Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each 15
(China) Sai Kwa	" 15
Grapes, — Sang Po Tai Tse	lb. 20

VEGETABLES, &c.

Vegetables, &c.	
Artichokes, Shanghai, — Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb. 8
Chenks	" 12
Beans, (French), Macao, — Oh Moon Pin Tau	" 10
(French) Shanghai, — Shoung Hai Pin	" 10
Tau	" 8
Sprout, — Ah Cho	" 8
Long, — Tai Ko	" 8
Beet Root, — Hung Chai Tau	each 5
Brinjals, Green, — Ching Yuan	" 5
Red, — Hung Ker	" 6
Cabbage, Chinese, com, — Kai Choy	" 12
Cabbage Red, — Hung Yea Choy	" 1
Cabbage, Shanghai, — Yeh Chai	" 8
Cans Shoots, bunch, — Kan Shan	" 8
Caulliflower, Large size, — Tai Yeh Cho Fa	each 1
Medium size, — Cheung Yeh Cho Fa	" 1
Small size, — Sai Yen Chai Fa	" 1
Carrots, — Kam Shum	lb. 8
Celery, Chinese, — Tong Kan Chai	" 8
English, — Yeung Kan Chai	" 25
Chillies Dried, — Gon Lat Chiu	" 15
Red, — Hung Far Chiu	" 10
Green, — Ching Lat Chiu	" 10
Curry Stuff, English, — Kar Lee Chu Liu	" 2
Cucumbers, — Ching Kwa	" 10
Bitter Squash, — Fu Kwa	" 10
Gaulie, — Que Tau	" 8
Ginger, young, — Sun Tse Keung	" 8
old, — Lo Keung	" 8
Horse Radish, Shanghai, — Lik Kan	" 12
Indian Corn, — Suk Mai	each 5
Lettuce, — Yeung Sang Chai	" 15
Water Chestnuts, — Ma Tai	" 8
Mandarin, — Kwai Lum Ma Tai	" 15
Mushrooms, Fresh, — Sang Cho Koo	each 15
Mush Melon, Amer. — Kam-san Hong Kwa	" 10
Onions Bombay, — Yeung Chong Tau	" 10
Green, — Sang Chong	" 6
Shanghai, — Shang-hoi Chong Tau	" 6
Papaw, 1st qual., — Tai Man Sau Kua	each 10
2nd, — Chung	" 8
Parley, — Kun Cho	" 8
Green Peas, — Ching Tau	lb. 1
Potatoes, Sweet, — Fan Shu	" 3
Shanghai, — Shang-hoi Shu Tse	" 3
Japan, — Yat Poon Shu Tse	" 3
American, — Fa Ki Shu Tse	" 3
Poochow, — Foo-chow Shu Tse	" 3
Pumpkin, — Tong Kwa	" 3
Radish, — Hung Lo Pak Tse	" 4
Rhubarb (French), — Tai Wong	" 4
Sage, — Tse So	" 8
Shallots, — Gon Ching Tau	" 8
Spinach, — Yin Chai	" 8
Tomatoes, — Fan Ker	" 8
Taro, — Wu Tau	" 5
Turnip, Funtai, (Long), — Lo Pak	" 4
English, — Yeung Lo Pak	" 4
Vegetable Marrow, — Ohit Kwa	" 3
(American), — Kam-san Ohit Kwa	" 3
Water Cress, — Sai Yeung Cho	" 15
Lily root, — Lin Ngau	" 5
Yams, — Ta Shu	" 6

SEAFOOD.

Seafood	
Shrimp, — Chai Yu	lb. 40
Crabs, — Hai	" 16
Scallops, — Gon Ching Tau	" 8
Spinach, — Yin Chai	" 8
Tomatoes, — Fan Ker	" 8
Taro, — Wu Tau	" 5
Turnip, Funtai, (Long), — Lo Pak	" 4
English, — Yeung Lo Pak	" 4
Vegetable Marrow, — Ohit Kwa	" 3
(American), — Kam-san Ohit Kwa	" 3
Water Cress, — Sai Yeung Cho	" 15
Lily root, — Lin Ngau	" 5
Yams, — Ta Shu	" 6

The prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Sanitary Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

W. BOWEN-BOWLANDS,
General Manager, Sanitary Board.

Consignees

"BABER" LINE OF LINES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"EGREMONT CASTLE"

FOR NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby

Informed that all Goods are

being landed at their risk into the

Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOW-

LOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY,

Ltd., where and/or from the wharves

delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the

12th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must

be presented to the Underwriter on or

before the 5th prox., or the will not

be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

Goods are to be left in the Godown,

where they will be examined on the

12th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-

signed by

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th Nov., 1912.

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"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENMOHR."

FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO,

& LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby

Informed that all Goods are being

landed at their risk into the hazardous

and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and

Godown Co., Ltd., where and/or

COMMERCIAL

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs Wright and Hornby in their weekly share report, dated November 9, state:—

The market has continued active throughout the week, and a good business has been put through at advancing rates.

Para Rubber is quoted from London at 44-1-2 per lb and the market for shares closed strong.

Bar Silver is quoted at 28.15-16 per oz for ready and 29.1-10 per oz for forward delivery, steady on the fall.

Exchange on London opened today at 2/5.8 T.T.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have changed hands at various rates from \$805 to \$810 and close with sellers at \$807; the London price is unchanged at \$821-1/2.

Marine Insurances.—Unions are quiet with sellers at \$815 and buyers at \$810 after sales. Canton has buyers \$233, North China quoted from Shanghai at Tls. 135 sellers and Yangtze at \$190 buyers ex. 73.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fire is firm with buyers at \$302. China Fire has sold at \$140 and there are further buyers at the rate.

Shipping.—Indos continue in strong demand and the market closes with buyers at \$76; London quotes \$7/10-1/2 middle. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats could probably be placed at \$28. China and Manilla are quiet at \$8.3-4 and Douglas's at \$25. Star Lines have sold at \$33 and more shares are obtainable at the rate. Shell Transports have improved during the interval from 102-1/2 buyers to 105-1/2 middle; the market closing firm with upward tendency.

Refineries.—China Sugars are wanted at \$108. Luzons have sellers at \$33.

Mining.—Raub have weakened to a selling quotation of \$3.50, due to the output for the past month falling short of that for the previous month by 211 ozs.

Pahang Consolidated are quoted from London at 10/6 middle. Langkats have buyers in the North at Tls. 57 1/2 for cash and Tls. 58 for the end of the month.

Market strong.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong Docks have improved considerably and sales have taken place at various prices up to \$60, closing firm at the rate.

Kowloon Wharves have sellers at \$75 and buyers at \$74. Shanghai Docks are quoted at Tls. 48 sellers and Hongkong Wharves at Tls. 99 buyers.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are obtainable at \$100 after sales at \$105 1/2 and \$106. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$34 and West Points at \$55.

Hongkong Hotels are steady at \$114 and \$73. Humphreys Estates have improved from \$8 to \$3.60 at which rate sales have taken place and there are further buyers. Shanghai Lands are quoted at Tls. 80.

Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons are in request at \$5.10 after sales at \$5.00. Ewos have sold at Tls. 106. Shanghai quotes Tls. 105 buyers.

Miscellaneous.—There are buyers of Cements at \$3.85. A. S. Watsons at 3/75 Union Waterboats at \$12. Electric at \$24. Watkins at \$3. China Borneos at \$9. China Borneos at \$24. Dairy Farms at \$20 after sales at the rate and William Powells at \$8.00. There are sellers of Ice at \$200. China Light and Powers at \$2.25. Steam Laundries at \$4 and United Asbestos at 0/.

Quotations received by cable from London to-day:—

Banks. \$82/- Middle Indos \$7/10-1/2 Shells \$5/5/- Tronohs \$3/10-1/2 Kailans \$1/14/8 Pakhang Consolidated \$10/6 United Serdangs \$11/-

Langkat Returns.

Output for January 1912. 13335 tons Feb. 13747 " March. 14610 " April. 13401 " May. 14338 " June. 14204 " July. 13032 " August. 13815 " Sept. 12566 " October. 12787 "

Raub Returns.

Result of Crushing for March 1912 865 ozs. April " 730 " May " 700 " June " 894 " July " 824 " August " 767 " Sept. " 1022 " October " 811 "

The Petroleum Trade. The "Times" Berlin Correspondent telegraphs that it is announced that the Imperial Government is about to promote legislation with a view to counteracting the policy of the Standard Oil Company and its offshoots.

It is proposed to establish a company in which financiers and merchants will organize the wholesale petroleum trade under Government control.

Shanghai Bulletin. October 31, 1912.

Bar Silver. ... d. 29 Mexican Dollars. Market Rate. Tls. 74.225 Dragon Dollars. Native Bank Rate. ... 74.125

Copper Cash. ... per Tls. 1.760 Shanghai Gold Bars \$'hai Tls. Bar Silver. ... Tls. Native Interest. ... Sovereigns. Bk's. Buying rate. ... Tls. 6.88

Hollo Sugar Statistics. 1910-11 Crop. Exports since Oct. 31, 1911 in Piculs. Superior Wet

Great Britain. United States 2,028,000 Japan China 150,071 4,100 India

Total. 2,184,071 4,100 1911-12 Crop. Wet Great Britain. United States 1,183,573 Japan 113,400 67,198 China 245,805 164,418 Coastwise 5,977 800

Current 10.269. To Promote Physical Culture in the Philippines. One of the Philippine Commission's new bills provides for the appointment of a director of physical education and that for the purpose the sum of P.10,000 shall be appropriated annually out of the public funds, to be spent at the discretion of the secretary of public instruction for that position and for the necessary expenses incident to the proper discharge of such duties as the secretary may assign to such director of athletic instruction.

THE FAMINE IN CHINA. EIGHT Famine Districts with an area of 80,000 square miles. TWO and a half million people facing starvation.

PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO-DAY. IT WILL HELP TO SAVE LIFE. Treasurer, H. C. GULLAND, Esq., Manager, International Banking Corporation, 8th Floor, Hongkong, 24th January 1912 [17]

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO. LIMITED. TIME TABLE. WEEK DAYS. 7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 min. 8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. " 10 min. 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 min. 11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon " 15 min. 12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " 15 min. 1.00 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. " 15 min. 1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. " 15 min. 1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. " 15 min. 2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min. 5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min. 8.10 p.m. to 9.45 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 15 minutes. SUNDAYS. 7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. every 15 min. 10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 10 min. 11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon " 15 min. 12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " 10 min. 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 10 min. 5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " 15 min. 6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. " 15 min. 7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min. 8.10 p.m. to 9.45 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 15 minutes. SPECIAL CARS. Arrangement at the Company's Office, Alexandra Building, Des Voeux Road. HEN D. HUMPHREYS & CO. General Managers, Hongkong, 8th Nov. 1912.

Entertainments.

VICTORIA SKATING RINK.

This popular Rink will Re-open on SATURDAY, 9th Nov. 1912, at the 5 to 7 P.M. Session.

G. daily Reduced Prices. SEE HAND BILLS. Hongkong, 7th Nov. 1912. [887]

THEATRE ROYAL.

the musical play "THE COOK"

AN IDYLL OF THE PEAK By Lieut. CROSSE, TO BE PRECEDED BY A GRAND VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT

WEDNESDAY, November, 14th at 8.15 p.m. sharp Prices as Usual. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform 30 Cents Gallery.

Booking at MOUTRIE & CO, Hongkong, 31st Oct., 1912. [813]

THEATRE ROYAL THE ORIENTAL THEATRICAL COMPANY OF MANILA, P.I. PRESENTS

FERRIS HARTMANN AND HIS TALENTED COMPANY, INCLUDING MISS "MUGGINS" DAVIES AND WALTER DE LEON.

In a Repertoire of NEW MUSICAL COMEDIES. TO-NIGHT. FAIRY TALES. ONE NIGHT OFF.

Certain at 8.15 P.M. Prompt. Circle \$3.50 Orchestra Stalls \$3.50 Stalls \$3.00 Pit \$2.00 Gallery \$1.00. 3.30 p.m. SATURDAY. "THE TOY MAKERS."

Prices, \$3, \$2 and \$1. Children Half Price. Booking at Messrs. S. Montre & Co. Hongkong, 7th Nov., 1912. [852]

HONGKONG CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB. OPENING CRUISE. SEASON 1912-13.

THE above will be held in Kowloon Bay on SUNDAY, Nov. 10th. Ladies' and visitors' meals; Luncheon will be served ashore. A launch for members and friends will leave the Club Pier at 10.30 A.M. sharp. ALEX. P. STORRIE, Hon. Sec. Hongkong, 7th Nov., 1912. [852]

INTIMATION. ON MONDAY, the 11th instant, Mr. Bona, of the firm of G. Martini, Importer and Exporter, in Peddar Street, will hold a reception in his office between 9 and 11 A.M. to celebrate the anniversary birthday of His Majesty the King of Italy. Friends and customers are cordially invited. Hongkong, 7th Nov., 1912. [881]

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INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office—40, Wall Street, New York. London Office—5, Abchurch Lane, E.C. BRANCHES: Kobe, Manila, Peking, San Francisco, Yokohama.

Capital and Reserve \$10,000,000 (Paid Up). EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS TRANSACTED. CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms. DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for one year at 4 per cent. and for shorter periods at rates, which will be ascertained on application. BILLS NEGOTIATED AND COLLECTED. MAIL AND TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES MADE. LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS granted on all principal cities in the world. CREDIT ADVISABLE ALL OVER THE WORLD. COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT ISSUED. PURCHASE AND SALE of Stocks and Shares effected. TRAVELLERS' CHEQUES sold and cashed. GEORGE HODG, Manager, 9, Queen's Road, Hongkong. Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1912. [18]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED. Established 1880. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Yen 48,000,000 PAID-UP CAPITAL " 30,000,000 RESERVE FUND " 17,500,000 Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Antung-Hsien, Bombay, Calcutta, Changchun, Dairen, Feng, Hankow, Honolulu, Kobe, Liao-Yang, London, Lyons. Agencies at: Nagasaki, Newchuan, New York, Osaka, Peking, Ryojun Port (Arthur), San Francisco, Shanghai, Tientsin, Yokohama.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT. Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application. TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager, Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1858.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON. PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000 RESERVE FUND £1,600,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted. CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application. Wm. DICKSON, Manager, Hongkong, 14th April, 1912. [22]

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RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

CURRY MANAGERS: Hongkong—N. J. STARR, Acting Manager, SHANGHAI—A. C. STARR, Manager, LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. on the minimum monthly balance at \$3 per cent. per annum. ON FIXED DEPOSITS: For 3 months, 5 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 months, 6 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 12 months, 7 1/2 per cent. per annum. N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balance at \$3 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

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THE FAR EAST IN PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

The Study of Oriental Languages.

(Oct. 1.) The Lord Chancellor, in moving the second reading of the London Institution Transfer Bill, remarked that, in view of the many hundreds of millions of British subjects speaking Oriental languages, it was of the utmost importance, both from commercial and educational points of view, that facilities should be given for persons in this country to study those languages. Whereas the German and French Governments spent large sums of money for the purpose of enabling a knowledge of Oriental languages to be acquired in Berlin and Paris, the British Government spent comparatively nothing, and after investigations by Committees, presided over by Lord Reay and the Earl of Cromer, it was resolved that the best way of dealing with the question would be by the establishment of an institution for the study of Oriental languages in the City of London. With great public spirit the shareholders of the London Institution in Finsbury-circus, of which Lord Aldenham was chairman, had agreed to transfer their building to the Office of Works, and a substantial sum of money would be granted by the Treasury for the purpose of equipping and maintaining a School of Oriental Languages in the buildings when taken over. The object of the Bill, which had already passed the other House, was to confirm the transfer.

Earl Curzon having expressed his approval of the measure and of the liberal spirit in which the Treasury had approached the question, the second reading was agreed to.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The Chinese Loan.

(Oct. 9.) Lord Balfour, on behalf of Captain Faber, asked the Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether he would state on what date he would be in a position to make a full statement concerning the Chinese loan, whether the Foreign Office was hostile to the Crisp loan, and, if so, on what account.

Mr. Acland, who replied, said: His Majesty's Government have acted with the Governments of France, Germany, Japan, Russia, and the United States in supporting an international financial group in its negotiations for a loan with China. We have done so because it seemed very desirable that all the Powers most largely and directly interested in China should be in concert, and should not compete against each other, each trying separately to get political advantages for itself out of the situation; and because, without such agreement, the result would probably be a series of indiscriminate loans that would impair the Chinese credit, and not be to the interest of China itself or of its foreign trade, in which we are so largely concerned. At the present moment no large loan has yet been concluded with the Six-Powers Group, as the Chinese Government objected to some of the conditions. The principle of conditions that have been considered essential to make any loan sound and really advantageous to China must be maintained; but this is not incompatible with fair consideration of any proposals that China may put forward for an amendment in some particulars of the conditions originally laid down. For the reasons given above, it is most undesirable to break up the agreement between the Six Powers; but, on the other hand, there is no desire or intention of maintaining it for the purpose of attempting to enforce harsh or unreasonable conditions in China. The Crisp loan was opposed because, while negotiations were proceeding with the Six-Powers group, we did not consider that China was free to borrow elsewhere, and we were under an honourable obligation to oppose any outside loan.

But, apart from this, the loan did not, so far as we are aware, offer adequate guarantees for the proper and useful expenditure of the proceeds. Mr. Ginnell also asked the Foreign Secretary whether he would state what advantages were expected to accrue to this

country from forcing China to a monopoly in Chinese finance in favour of what was called the Six-Power Group under German management for the advancement of Russian and Japanese designs upon Chinese territory; what return that group made or promised for the British pressure to which it owed that monopoly; on what grounds China was thwarted in obtaining instead an independent British loan on terms agreeable to both parties to the transaction; whether a similar veto would be extended to the independent loan China had thus been forced to seek from a Belgian group; and how the imposition of those restrictions upon China could be reconciled with the impartiality of Great Britain and with the integrity and independence of China.

Mr. Acland referred to the answer given to the previous question, from which it would be understood that the question is founded on a misapprehension of the policy of His Majesty's Government and of the objects of the Six-Power Group in negotiating a loan to the Chinese Government.

A Member: Have the conditions laid down by the Six Powers been published?

Mr. Acland: I think not.

Mr. King: What are the repayments of the Crisp loan?

Mr. Acland: I think that will be a matter for the holders of the stock.

In the course of further questions, Mr. Ginnell asked why the restrictions which were found to be necessary should not be made general, so as to admit all who conformed to them, instead of being made in favour of an international group under German management.

Mr. Acland said this question contained a suggestion which was not correct. A general principle had been laid down, namely, that it was most advantageous for the representatives of the Powers to act in concert to prevent loans from individual groups which would be used to obtain political advantages, and would not be to the advantage of China.

(10th.) Mr. Harcourt-Banner asked the Secretary for Foreign Affairs if he would state the terms arranged with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Limited, for the issue of the proposed China loans and the proportions reserved respectively for Germany and Great Britain.

Sir E. Gray, in reply, said: I am not aware of any terms having been arranged for the issue of loans made by the Six-Power Group to the Chinese Government. Such an arrangement would, in present circumstances, seem premature. With regard to the second part of the question, it has been agreed that each of the six groups shall be entitled to an equal share in any loan which may be negotiated.

Home Commercial and Produce Markets.

London, October 11.

The Bank rate remains unchanged at 4 per cent. The Open market rate for short loans is 2½ per cent., and discount of four months' Bank bills 4½ to 4½ per cent. The Silver market has not shown the firmness which it did last week, the price of bars declining to 29½d. per oz. The Rubber share market has been quietly firm without much change. In China Tea a fairly steady market continues, with rather more business doing. Coffee has met with slow demand, but previous rates were maintained. Sugar has been quiet, and prices show a slight decline. In Singapore Pepper demand has been slow, and White Pepper is quiet and practically unchanged. Rice is dull, without business of importance. Manila Hemp is quiet, but prices are fully maintained. Plantation Rubber has been quiet and lower, good average sheet being quoted at about 4s. 3d. per lb. Fine Hard Para is 4s. 7d. per lb. Straits Tin is 2228 to 2228 10s. for cash, and 2227 2s. 6d. to 2227 12s. 6d. for three months.

Russian Troops at Taonanfu.

The Chinese Cabinet received a telegram on November 1 from Tsuchi-Chao Erh-sen of Fengtien, reporting the advent of over fifty mounted troops of the Russian army within the boundary of Taonanfu, and requesting the Government to demand a satisfactory explanation from the Russian Minister at Peking.

POST OFFICE.

NEW ISSUE OF POSTAGE STAMPS.

Stamps bearing the portrait of His Majesty King George V. will be on sale at the General Post Office after 10 a.m. to-day.

Monday next the 11th instant having been declared a General Holiday, the General Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m. There will be a collection from the Pillar boxes on Sunday and a delivery of ordinary correspondence. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

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